2003 Middle Tennessee Track

Mid-east Regional, May 30-31, Columbus, Ohio

MIDDLE TENNESSEE QUALIFIERS FOR NCAA REGIONALS

MEN

NAME	EVENT	MARK
Mardy Scales, Jr.	100	10.24
Pedro Holiday, So.	100	10.48
Mardy Scales, Jr.	200	20.77
Sean Waller, Fr.	400	46.43
Victor Okorie, So.	400	47.27
Wesley Dupar-Scott, So.	400	47.31
Fred Williams, So.	400m	47.39
Garland Martin, Jr.	110H	13.97
Jasper Demps, Sr.	110H	14.11
Linnie Yarbrough, Fr.	110H	14.12
Brad Orr, Sr.	110H	14.36
Victor Okorie, So.	400H	50.53
DJ Spann, Sr.	400H	50.55
Brad Orr, Sr.	400H	51.52
Levi Sybert, Sr.	3000ST	9:10.14
Omar Ali, Sr.	4x100 Relay	
Tim Hicks, Jr.	4x400 Relay	
Relay	4x100	39.81
Relay	4x400	3:07.25
JJ Sturm, Fr.	LJ	25-6
Rob Jordan, Sr.	LJ	25-2.5
Rob Jordan, Sr.	TJ	51-6.25

WOMEN

NAME	EVENT	MARK
Rosemary Okafor, So.	100	11.34
Rosemary Okafor, So.	200	23.18
Rosemary Okafor, So.	400	52.61
Kishara George, So.	400H	59.67
Kerry Barrow, Fr.	4x400 Relay	
Nicolette Jarrett, Jr.	4x400 Relay	
Relay	4x100	45.64
Relay	4x400	3:40.15
Kim Freeman, Sr.	LJ	19-6
Kim Freeman, Sr.	TJ	40-4

Middle Tennessee Track & Field

HEAD COACH: Dean Hayes
ASSISTANT COACH: Roger Kerr
VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT: Thomas Keith
GRADUATE ASSISTANTS:
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Gameday Information

Site: Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium (Columbus, Ohio)
Time (s): All Day
Notes: The Blue Raiders and Lady Raiders compete in the NCAA Mid-east Regional in Columbus, Ohio, Saturday and Sunday. 2003 marks the first year of the reconfigured NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships qualifying, with four regionals taking place the last weekend of May and regional winners and other participants qualifying for the NCAA Championships set for mid-June in Sacramento, Calif. No current Lady Raider or Blue Raider team member has ever earned All-America honors outdoors. The Blue Raiders lost Godfrey Herring last year after the Pontiac, Mich., native earned two straight outdoor All-America honors in the 400 and five overall.

Okafor, Scales Stellar Outdoors

Sophomore Rosemary Okafor and junior Mardy Scales both had strong indoor seasons, and the duo has continued to dominate in the outdoor season. Scales earned his second straight All-American honor indoors and is well on his way to earning his first outdoors and third overall for the Blue Raiders. The Franklin, Tenn., native won both the 100 and 200 at the Sun Belt Championships three weeks ago, as well as running on the winning 4x100 relay, as the Blue Raiders finished second at the championships in Denton, Texas. Okafor had a strong indoor season in the sprints and has only picked up her efforts, setting school-records in the 100 and 400 this year, qualifying for this week's regionals in those two events as well as the 200.

Squads Miss Conference Title

The Blue Raiders and Lady Raiders both came up short in aiming for the second Sun Belt Conference Outdoor title, with the men finishing a close second to Western Kentucky and the women taking fifth three weeks ago in Denton, Texas. Rosemary Okafor won the 100 and 200, while Kishara George picked up a victory in the 400H and Jerkita McClorin was first in the heptathlon. The Lady Raiders also won the 4x400 relay. For the men, Mardy Scales won the 100 and 200, while Sean Waller took first in the 400 and Victor Okorie was the top finisher in the 400H. The Blue Raiders also won both relays for the fourth straight year, as the men have never lost in a SBC Outdoor relay event. Rob Jordan also picked up his first Sun Belt title in the long jump.

George Learns Hurdles As She Goes

Sophomore Kishara George struggled in the 400 during the indoor season and began running the intermediate hurdles at the beginning of the outdoor campaign, learning the event as she went since she had never tried it before. George has done just fine, setting a school record, winning a Sun Belt championship and qualifying for this week's NCAA Regionals. George won her conference championship three weeks ago in Denton and broke Tori Blander's school record in the finals, besting the old mark by 0.11 seconds.

2003 MIDDLE TENNESSEE OUTDOOR SCHEDULE

DATE	MEET	PLACE
M. 22-23	Alabama Relays	Tuscaloosa, Ala.
M. 29	Mississippi State Invitational	Starkville, Miss.
A. 5	Yellowjacket Invitational	Atlanta, Ga.
A. 11-12	Sea Ray Relays	Knoxville, Tenn.
A. 18-19	Vanderbilt Invitational	Nashville, Tenn.
A. 25-26	Penn Relays	Philadelphia, Pa.
A. 26	Murray State Invitational	Murray, Ky.
M. 9-11	Sun Belt Championships	Denton, Texas
M. 17	Georgia Tech Invitational	Atlanta, Ga.
M. 30-31	NCAA Regional	Columbus, Ohio
J. 11-14	NCAA Championships	Sacramento, Calif.

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