

# Scales, Waller, Okafor, Relays Win at Indiana

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**MURFREESBORO, Tenn. -** Middle Tennessee's Mardy Scales, Rosemary Okafor, Sean Waller, and both the men's and women's 4x400m relay teams won events Saturday during the second and final day of competition at the Indiana Invitational in Bloomington, Ind., at the Harry C. Gladstein Fieldhouse.

Scales won the 60m finals in 6.69 to keep the junior undefeated in competition in either the 55 or 60m this season. Sophomore Wesley Dupar-Scott was third in the 60m in 6.82.

Dupar-Scott came back to win the 200m, but was disqualified for running out of his lane. Senior DJ Spann came in fourth in the 200m in 22.08, the same time he ran in the prelims on Friday, and Omar Ali finished seventh in the event in 22.18.

The freshman Waller continues to impress, winning the 400m on Saturday in 48.70, while sophomore Victor Okorie came in second in 49.06, his best finish as a Blue Raider. Freshman JJ Sturm placed seventh in the triple jump, clearing 42-9.

For the Lady Raiders, Okafor



won the 400m for the second time this season, finishing in 54.53, while Nicolette Jarrett was 10<sup>th</sup> in 59.16.



Freshman Kerry Barrow came in seventh in the 60m in 7.85 and was eighth in the 200m in 25.92. Sophomore Jerkita McClorin finished third in the 60m hurdles in 8.79.

Junior Letitia Eady had another strong showing in the triple jump this week. The Orlando, Fla., native cleared 40-feet last week and finished second at IU with a mark of 39-9.25, while sophomore Rolanda Howard came in sixth, clearing 38-0.25. Freshman Meaghan Byrd was ninth in the shot put with a mark of 42-3.5.

Both the men's and women's 4x400m relay teams won on Saturday. The men's squad of Dupar-Scott, Ali, Tim Hicks and Waller ran 3:14.91, while the women's tandem of Jarrett, Kishara George, Lanora Gray and Okafor finished in 3:45.77. The men's 4x800m relay placed third, running 8:12.38.

"Both teams did well this weekend, and the women continue to improve each week," head coach Dean Hayes said. "Mardy has been tremendous each week and Wesley is really coming on as a sprinter. We have to keep working and look to peak in a few weeks at the conference meet."

The track squads will host the Middle Tennessee Classic next Saturday at the Murphy Center in the final tune-up before each defend their conference championships. Teams set to participate in the Classic include Southern Miss, Western Kentucky, Tennessee State and Wallace State CC.

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