# Blue Raiders win seven events at Georgia Relays

## Relay teams take four victories

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**Meet Results**

**ATHENS, Ga.** - The Middle Tennessee track teams won seven events, including four relays, at the Georgia Relays this weekend in Athens, Ga.

Both the men's and women's 4x100 meter relay teams took first place with the women's 4x400 meter relay and men's distance medley relay earning victories also.

The men's 4x100 team of Samuel Adade, Curtis King, Greg Franklin and Carl Morgan just missed a NCAA Regional mark by less than a tenth of second with a time of 40.77. The same four men also finished third in the 4x200 meter relay.

The women's 4x100 meter team of Tenesha Hill, Kortney Thurman, Nyeisha Wright and Kiara Henry finished in 46.12. This team also placed second in the 4x200 meters relay.

Coach Dean Hayes said, "Overall it was a pretty good weekend. We wanted to work on our relay events and we did well in that area."

Even with the strong weekend for the relay teams, thrower Brittany Cox was the top Middle Tennessee field performer. The junior and Smyrna native won the shot put, broke a school record in the hammer throw and set a personal best in the discus.

On Friday, Cox's shot put toss of 49-06.50 (15.10m) won the event and earned her a NCAA Regional mark. Saturday, she broke her own school record from last spring in the hammer throwing a 170-01 (51.85m). In the final event of the day, she tossed a 149-01 (45.44m) in the discus. Cox finished fourth in both the hammer and discus.

"Brittany probably had the best weekend of all. She did really well," said Hayes.

Freshman Roscoe Payne won his first individual outdoor event by taking the 110 meter hurdles in 14.78. Teammate DeRay Sloss came in second behind Payne in 14.86.

Sophomore Kortney Thurman won the long jump with a leap of 19-01.25 (5.82m). The Powder Springs, Ga., native also registered a personal best in the triple jump with a 38-02.00 (11.63m) mark to finish fourth.

Next weekend the Blue Raiders will travel to Atlanta for the Yellow Jacket Invitational hosted by Georgia Tech. Results and coverage will be available on ramblinwreck.cstv.com and goblueraiders.com.

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