

Three track athletes qualify at Yellow Jacket Invitational

Cox, Thurman and Robertson all earn NCAA Regional Marks

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ATLANTA, Ga. - Three of Middle Tennessee's top female track and field athletes earned NCAA Regional qualifiers at the 2010 Yellow Jacket Invitational in Atlanta, Ga., on Saturday.

Brittany Cox, currently ranked fourth nationally in the shot put, threw 51-3 (15.62m) to take the event for her second NCAA regional mark in the shot this season. She placed second in the discus with toss of 143-10 (43.85m).

Kortney Thurman leapt 19-8.75 (6.01m) to take first in the long jump and earn her first

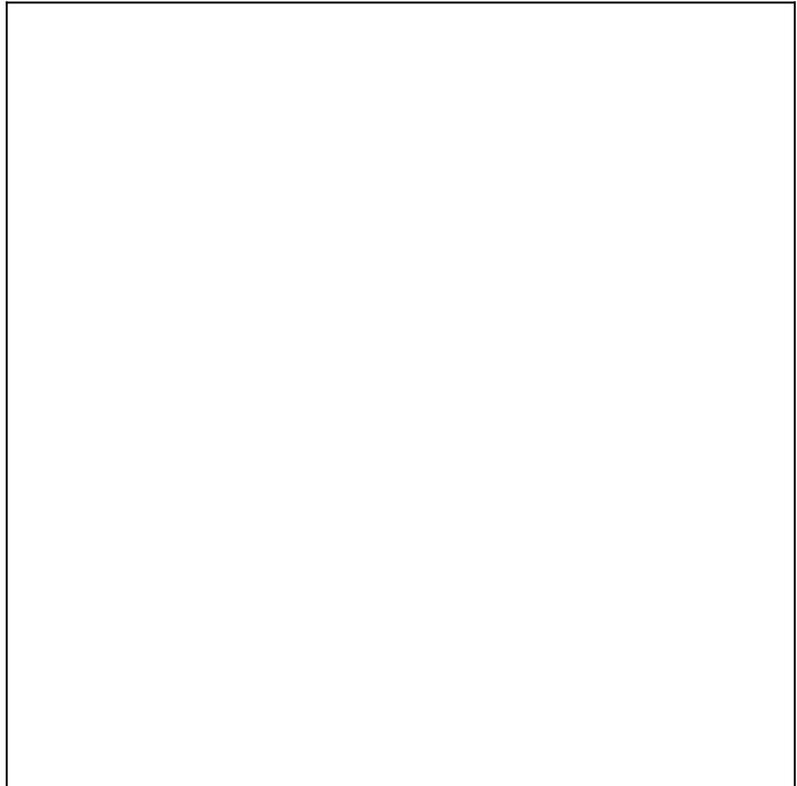
NCAA regional of the year. This is Thurman's personal best outdoors and second NCAA regional mark as a Blue Raider. She also placed fifth in the triple jump with a jump of 38-4.25 (11.97m).

Cherice Robertson earned the third NCAA regional mark of the day as she leapt 5-8.75 (1.75m) in the high jump. This jump places her 11th in the NCAA in the event. She finished ninth in the 100 meter hurdles in 14.40. Ann Dudley placed 10th in the high jump with a mark of 5-3 (1.6m) and 15th in the hurdles in 15.47.

Other highlights for the women included Ashley Comstock who set a personal best in the 1,500 meters finishing in a time of 4:37.65. Stephanie Smith finished 10th in 4:47.86. Smith also placed eighth in the 800 meters in 2:19.82.

Amber Jackson placed eighth in the 400 meters in 57.95. All-American Sarah Nambawa competed in her first race since knee surgery last winter in the 400. She placed 11th.

On the men's side, sprinter Greg Franklin placed fifth in the 200 meters in 21.87 and seventh in the 100 meters in 10.70. Robert Carter came in 11th in both events.



David Emery finished third in the 1,500 meters in 3:55.30 with teammate Isaac Biwott coming in 10th in 4:01.19.

In the hurdles, Roscoe Payne placed third in the 400 meter hurdles in 52.89 and sixth in the 110 meter hurdles in 14.63. DeRay Sloss came in eighth in the 110 hurdles.

The men's 4x400 meter relay team placed fifth in a competitive field in a time of 3:20.41. The team was composed of Franklin, Payne, Justin Chambers and Curtis King.

The Blue Raiders will return to action next weekend in Auburn, Ala., as the team will compete at the Tiger Track Classic. Full results and coverage will be available on GoBlueRaiders.com.

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