

**2001 UCLA WOMEN'S/MEN'S TRACK & FIELD RELEASE**  
**This Weekend (May 19-20), UCLA Travels to Berkeley for 2001 Pac-10 Championships;**  
**Looking Ahead, NCAA Outdoor May 30-June 2 in Eugene, OR**

**This Weekend - 2001 Pac-10 T & F Championships  
- Sat.-Sun., May 19-20, Berkeley, CA**

Jeanette Bolden's UCLA women's team and Art Venegas' Bruin men's squad will compete this weekend at the 2001 Pacific-10 T & F Championships, in Berkeley and hosted by the University of California (42<sup>nd</sup> annual men, 15<sup>th</sup> annual women). Scoring is 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1.

The Bruin women have won the conference championship 11 times. In the last seven seasons under Bolden, UCLA has won on six occasions, including the last four years in a row.

Returning league champions for the UCLA women are – two-time defending champions, senior **Michelle Perry** (100m hurdles) and junior **Tracy O'Hara** (pole vault); junior **Darnesha Griffith** (high jump) and senior **Christina Tolson** in the hammer throw. In 1998 as freshmen, now senior **Shakedia Jones** won the 100m and joined Perry on UCLA's winning 4 X 100m relay.

UCLA's men have won the league title 16 times, including six occasions in the 1990s (1992-93-94-95-96-98).

On Saturday (May 19) at Edwards Stadium, the field events will begin at 10 a.m. and the running events at 1 p.m., concluding at 5:30 p.m. with the women's and men's 10,000m finals. On Saturday, there are 12 finals.

On Sunday (May 20, all finals), field events begin at 9:30 a.m. and track events at 1 p.m. The meet will end at 4:15 p.m. with the running of the women's and men's 4 X 400m relays.

The Pac-10 Multi-event Championships were held last weekend (May 12-13) at Cal, with Oregon's Santiago Lorenzo winning the decathlon (7,617, 10 team points for the Ducks) and Washington State's Ellanee Richardson (5,578 points) and Whitney Evans (5,546 points) finishing one-two in the heptathlon, giving the Cougars 18 team points.

Fox Sports Net will air the two-hour Pac-10 Championships on a delayed basis on May 26 (3 p.m.) and May 27 (4 p.m.).

**Last Year - 2000 Pac-10 T & F Championships –  
May 20-21, Eugene, OR**

The Bruin women won for the fourth consecutive season (for the sixth time

during the seven years with Jeanette Bolden as UCLA women's head coach; 11 total Pac-10 crowns in 14 seasons, dating back to 1987) and the UCLA men (with Washington) tied for fourth place.

In the closest women's meet in Pac-10 history, UCLA's women won with 167.50 points, followed by USC (161), Stanford (114), Washington State (86), Arizona State (75), Arizona (65), Washington (58), California (54.50) and Oregon (37).

In men's competition, USC won for the second straight season with 154 points, followed by Stanford (122.50), Arizona State (101), UCLA/Washington (83), Arizona (75), Oregon (71), California (68) and Washington State (59.50). The Bruins were without three of their top sprinters-senior 400m runners Malachi Davis (hamstring) and Terrence Williams (foot stress fracture) did not compete and senior Damian Allen pulled up (hamstring) in the 100m final.

In women's competition, the meet was decided late in the day at the conclusion of the pole vault, when the Bruins went one-two-three: sophomore **Tracy O'Hara** won with a meet record 13-7, followed by junior **Erica Hoernig** (personal-best 13-7) and sophomore **Heather Sickler** (personal-best 13-3).

UCLA's other women champions were – senior **Seilala Sua**, defending her titles, placed first in the shot put (56-9 1/2, season-best) and discus (205-1); junior **Michelle Perry**, the defending champion, in the 100m hurdles (13/03w, personal wind-aided best); sophomore **Darnesha Griffith**, in the high jump (5-10) and junior **Christina Tolson** in the hammer (208-5, meet record).

Bruin senior **Michael Granville** led the UCLA men by winning the 400m (46.49).

**May 14- National Rankings**

In this week's (May 14) national rankings, *Trackwire* has the UCLA women again at No. 1 (76 points). In the eight weeks of outdoor rankings, the

**Bruin women have been No. 1 on seven occasions, including the last five weeks. The Bruin men have not been ranked by *Trackwire* for the last three weeks.**

**In the IAAF-USATF Team Power Rankings (May 14), the UCLA women are still No. 1 (401.26 points) and the Bruin men are No. 3 (364.7).**

Trackwire is based upon predictions as to how teams will score at the upcoming 2001 NCAA Outdoor (May 30-June 2, Eugene, OR) and the Team Power Ranking is computer scoring based on a team's individual marks and dual meet strength.

**Looking Ahead – 2001 NCAA Outdoor T & F Championships, Wed.-Sat., May 30-June 2, Eugene, OR)**

**The 2001 NCAA Outdoor T & F Championships will be held May 30-June 2 (Wed.-Sat.) in Eugene and hosted by the University of Oregon. Scoring will be 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1.**

Last winter, the UCLA women won the 2001 NCAA Indoor title (for the second year in a row). The Bruin women are looking to become the third women's team in collegiate track and field history to win both the NCAA Outdoor and Indoor crowns in the same season (LSU did it eight times, 1997-96-95-94-93-91-89-87 and Texas on three occasions, 1999-98-86).

The UCLA women have won the NCAA Outdoor twice (the Bruins won the first two women's NCAA Outdoor meets in 1983-82). During Bolden's seven seasons as head coach, the Bruin women have finished in the Top three at the NCAA Outdoor on six occasions, including second-place finishes in 1999-98-95 (the UCLA women placed third in 2000-97-94).

The Bruin men have won the NCAA Outdoor twice (1988-87). In the 1990s, the UCLA men finished in the Top 10 on seven occasions (1998-97-96-95-93-92-90).

**Last Weekend - Sat., May 5, Modesto and Occidental Invitationals**

**Selective members of UCLA women's and men's squads traveled to two sites last weekend — at the Modesto (vaulters) and Occidental Invitationals.**

#### **Modesto**

UCLA's men's vaulters had a great day in Modesto, with four athletes vaulting at least 17-feet. Freshman **Yoo Kim** won the open competition, with a personal-best and NCAA provisional mark of 17-4 1/2. Juniors, Tyrone Hazen (third) and Joe Snee (fifth), along with sophomore Jared Drake (fourth), all set personal-bests, vaulting 17-0.

In the women's pole vault invite, junior **Tracy O'Hara** was third overall, top collegian (13-11 1/4), senior Eric Hoernig was sixth (13-5 1/4, season-best, NCAA automatic) and junior Heather Sickler was 10<sup>th</sup>

(12-11 1/2). Freshman Gail Larsen won the women's open competition, with a personal-best and NCAA provisional 12-9 1/2.

#### **Occidental**

In women's competition, the Bruins ran well in the invite 800m. sophomore **Tiffany Burgess** won the event, with a personal-best and NCAA provisional 2:06.13. She was followed by freshman Lena Nilsson (2:06.47, NCAA provisional), sophomore Jessica Marr (2:07.08, personal-best, NCAA provisional) and senior Bridie Hatch (2:08.92).

In women's field events, junior Darnesha Griffith was second (5-9 3/4) in the high jump and freshman Lara Saye was second in the discus (166-4),

In men's competition, freshman Jon Rankin won the open 800m (1:51.87), in the invite 3000m steeplechase, UCLA went one-three (senior **Mason Moore** placed first, 9:01.29, season-best, followed by sophomore Justin Patananan, 9:10.04, personal-best and junior Andrew Wulf, 9:10.40) and sophomore John Barbieri won the 400m hurdles invitational (51.59, personal-best).

In men's field events, sophomore Scott Wiegand was second in the discus (179-9 (personal-best) and in the hammer throw, junior **Scott Moser** was second (193-5) and freshman Dan Ames was fourth (186-5)

**UCLA T & F Nominees for Pac-10 Athlete of the Week Honors (May 14)**

**Women's Track** - sophomore **Tiffany Burgess**, who won the 800m invite at Occidental, in a personal-best time of 2:06.13 (NCAA provisional).

**Women's Field** – junior **Tracy O'Hara**, who placed third overall, top collegian (13-11 1/4), in the invite pole vault at Modesto.

**Men's Track** – senior **Mason Moore**, won the invite 3000m steeplechase at Occidental (9:01.29, season-best).

**Men's Field** – freshman **Yoo Kim** won the open pole vault at Modesto, with a personal-best mark of 17-4 1/2 (NCAA provisional).

**UCLA's women's head coach Jeanette Bolden** is in her eighth year as head coach of the UCLA women's team. For the last two seasons (2000/2001), she has directed the Bruins to the NCAA Indoor titles. It was UCLA's (women or men) first ever indoor crowns. At the NCAA Outdoor Championships under Bolden, the Bruins have finished no lower than third on six occasions (2000-3<sup>rd</sup>, 1999-2nd, 1998-2nd, 1997-3rd, 1996-9th, 1995-2nd, 1994-3rd).

She has also directed UCLA to six Pac-10 titles, including the last four in a row.

In 2000, she was named the Pac-10 (fourth year in a row and sixth time in her Bruin head coaching career) and USTCA West Region (fourth consecutive, fifth time in her career) Women's Coach of the Year.

Bolden 's career dual mark is 63-0 (earlier this season, it was reported that UCLA lost to Washington State, 85-78 on March 17 at Berkeley; but the meet was rescored and UCLA won the dual, by a score of 85-78). She is 8-0 vs. USC in the dual meet, dating back to 1994.

Overall, the Bruin women have won 70 consecutive dual meets, dating back to 1992, including 54 straight at Drake Stadium. The last time UCLA's women suffered a dual defeat was in 1992, losing back-to-back meets to Houston, 70-66 and USC, 80-30.

She is an Olympic gold medal winner (1984, USA 4 X 100m relay) and Bruin All-American sprinter (1981-83).

**Bruin men's head coach Art Venegas** is in his second season as the UCLA men's head coach.

Venegas was a Bruin assistant coach for 18 years before taking over the head men's position from Bob Larsen (before the 2000 season).

Venegas is a world-renowned coach in the throws. During his Bruin tenure, he has directed the UCLA men's/women's throwing corps to 29 NCAA individual titles and in the 1990s, Bruin throwers won 38 Pac-10 championships.

## BRUIN HEADLINES

**UCLA has two national women leaders - junior Tracy O'Hara, from San Diego Rancho Bernardo HS, in the pole vault (14-6) and senior Christina Tolson, from Fountain Valley HS, in the shot put (58-2 1/2).**

The Bruin women have five athletes that are second on the U. S. collegiate lists - senior **Shakedia Jones** in the 100m (11.13, top legal mark), freshman **Sheena Johnson** and senior **Michelle Perry**, tied for second in the 400m hurdles (56.23); sophomore **Chaniqua Ross** in the discus (183-9) and **Tolson** in the hammer throw (214-6). UCLA has one athlete that is No. 3 on the national charts – **Ross** in the shot put (54-3 3/4).

**On the men's national charts, junior Scott Moser, from Huntington Beach, is No. 3 on the discus list (206-8) and No. 11 in the shot put (62-4 1/2).**

Freshman **Dan Ames** is No. 7 in the shot put (63-10 1/4) and No. 6 in the discus (196-8) and sophomore **Kyle Erickson** is No. 11 on the 400m hurdle list (50.44; he leads the Pac-10).

**The 2001/2000 NCAA Indoor titles for the Bruin women were the first in school history (women or men).** UCLA is the first west coast school to win the women's NCAA Indoor and just the third overall when combining the men's Indoor champions (USC in 1967 and '72 and Washington State in 1977).

**Track & Field News** judged the 2001 UCLA women's recruiting class (current freshmen) No. 1 in the nation and the Bruin men's class No. 4.

**Al Joyner, the 1984 Olympic triple jump champion and husband to the late Florence Griffith Joyner, is in his first season on the Bruin women's staff, coaching the jumpers.**

## Trackwire National Top 25 Rankings

Outdoor	UCLA W	UCLA M
Preseason	1 <sup>st</sup>	nr
March 27	1 <sup>st</sup>	nr
April 2	2 <sup>nd</sup>	20thT
April 9	2 <sup>nd</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup>
April 16	1 <sup>st</sup>	18thT
April 23	1 <sup>st</sup>	21stT
April 30	1 <sup>st</sup>	nr
May 7	1 <sup>st</sup>	nr
May 14	1 <sup>st</sup>	nr
Indoor		
Final (March 12)	1 <sup>st</sup>	nr

## UCLA's 2001-2002 Recruits-Monique Henderson Heads the List

**Monique Henderson**, the 2000 *Track & Field News'* Women's High School Athlete of the Year, has signed a National Letter of Intent to attend UCLA. Henderson, who will be a freshman this fall, heads the list of Bruin women and men track and field recruits that were released April 19.

Henderson, from Morse HS in San Diego, last season as a junior prepster had an outstanding 2000 campaign. In the high school ranks, at the CA State meet in June in the 400m, her winning time of 50.74 was a national high school and American Junior record (under-19 years of age). She then participated in the U. S. Olympic Trials in August in Sacramento, placing eighth (51.79) and earning a spot in the U. S. Olympic 4 X 400m relay pool.

Henderson, only the second non-senior to be named the Gatorade National HS Women's Track & Field Athlete of the Year (Marion Jones was the first), for the last two seasons has been rated the nation's top high school women's 400m runner and she is also a three-time CA State champion. A talented 200m performer, her personal-best mark of 23.19 from last season was No. 2 on the 2000 U. S. women's prep chart and her 11.61 100m was No. 8 on last year's national high school list.

### Bruin Women Recruits

Joining Henderson as incoming Bruin women freshman recruits for head coach Jeanette Bolden are — All-American distance runner **Alejandra Barrientos** from San Lorenzo Valley in Felton; jumper **Candice Baucham** from Long Beach Poly HS; pole vaulter

**Jamie Kolar** from Long Beach Poly HS; distance runner **Lori Mann**, from Santa Margarita HS in Coto De Caza and All-American thrower **Briona Reynolds**, from Red River HS in Grand Forks, ND. Barrientos and Reynolds' signings were originally released last fall.

**Alejandra Barrientos** – In 2000, Barrientos earned *T & FN* All-American status in both the mile and 3200m. Her mark of 4:48.27 in the mile was No. 3 on the 2000 U. S. women's high school list and her time of 10:11.19 in the 3200m led the nation. As a junior in 2000, she won the CA State Cross Country title and in track, the 1600m and 3200m at Arcadia.

**Candice Baucham** – leads the 2001 women's high school ranks in the triple jump (42-3 1/2) and last Saturday won the event at Arcadia with the best triple jump series since former Bruin Juliana Yendork (the U. S. high school record-holder, 44-0 1/2) in the early 1990s. Baucham is also a 19-foot long jumper. As a junior last season, her 40-6 3/4 was No. 12 on the U. S. prep chart.

**Jamie Kolar** – she's currently tied for the national prep lead with a vault of 13-0 and last week placed second at Arcadia (12-6). In 2000 as a junior, her 12-0 was No. 20 on the national chart.

**Lori Mann** – excellent distance runner who has placed in the CIF and CA State meets in both cross country and track. In track, her best marks are 5:03 (1600m) and 11:04 (3200m).

**Briona Reynolds** – In 2000 as a junior, Reynolds earned All-America honors from *T & FN* in the discus, leading the nation's prep women's chart with a mark of 179-1. She placed fifth in the voting for the 2000 *T & FN* Women's HS Athlete of the Year (Henderson was the Athlete of the Year and No. 2 in the voting was Sheena Johnson, now a freshman standout on the UCLA women's track and field team). As a junior last season, Reynolds won discus titles

**UCLA 2001 NCAA Outdoor Qualifiers (May 30-June 2-Eugene,OR) – Boldface (Leads U.S.)**

**NCAA Automatic Women**

**100m** – Shakedia Jones (11.13, No. 4 in UCLA history)  
**400m** – Michelle Perry/Sheena Johnson (56.23, No. 4 in UCLA history)  
**4 X 100m relay** – Sani Roseby, Shakedia Jones, Michelle Perry, Sheena Johnson - 44.19  
**4 X 400m Relay** – Adia McKinnon 54.1, Sheena Johnson 52.7, Ysanne Williams 53.4, Michelle Perry 52.5 (3:32.76, No. 8 in UCLA history)  
**PV** – Tracy O'Hara (14-6, No. 2 in UCLA history)  
Erica Hoernig (13-5 1/4, No. 3 in UCLA history)  
**SP** - Christina Tolson (58-2 1/2, No. 4 in UCLA history)  
Chaniqua Ross (54-3 3/4, No. 6 in UCLA history)

at the ND State, Golden West, National Scholastic and U. S. Junior meets. Reynolds was rated No. 2 in the U. S. in the discus as a sophomore in 1999. Last season, her shot put mark of 48-2 1/4 was No. 7 on the U. S. HS list.

**Bruin Men Recruits**

UCLA men's head coach Art Venegas announced the following athletes as incoming Bruin freshman recruits for the coming season – distance runner **Daniel Clements**, from Taft HS and Woodland Hills; sprinter **Robert Hambleton**, from Loyola HS who lives in Pasadena; thrower **Jake Knight** from Rubidoux HS in Riverside; high jumper **Chadd Smith** from Camarillo HS and hurdler **Jonathan Williams** from Notre Dame HS in Los Angeles. Hambleton and Smith's signings were originally released last fall.

**Daniel Clements** – City Champion in the 1600m and runnerup in City cross country. His marks in 2001 are 1:54 (800m), 4:00 (1500m) and 4:21 (1600m).

**Robert Hambleton** – A 100/200m performer, Hambleton will provide depth to the Bruin sprint corps in 2002. He qualified for the CIF finals last year as a junior and was an All-League selection.

**Jake Knight** – His 60-3 in the shot put is currently No. 2 on the U. S. prep chart. Last season as a junior, his best was 61-11.

**Chadd Smith** – In 2000 as a junior, Smith won the high jump at Arcadia (6-10) and placed third at the CA State meet.

**Jonathan Williams** – In 2001 as a senior, Williams has run 14.3 (100m high hurdles) and 38.0 (300m intermediate hurdles).

**DT** – Chaniqua Ross (183-9, No. 9 in UCLA history)  
**HT** - Christina Tolson (214-6, Pac-10/UCLA record)  
**Hep** – Michelle Perry (5,657, No. 4 in UCLA history)

**NCAA Provisional Women**

**200m** – Shakedia Jones (23.29, No. 8 in UCLA history)  
**400m** – Adia McKinnon (52.88)  
**800m** - Ysanne Williams (2:05.51, No. 3 in UCLA history)  
Tiffany Burgess (2:06.13, No. 7 in UCLA history)  
Lena Nilsson (2:06.47, No. 8 in UCLA history)  
Jessica Marr (2:07.08)  
**1500m** – Lena Nilsson (4:23.17)  
**3000mSC** – Elaine Canchola (10:54.79, UCLA record)  
**100mH** – Michelle Perry (13.18, No. 5 in UCLA history)

history)  
Sani Roseby (13.40, No. 8 in UCLA  
history)  
Sheena Johnson (13.52, No. 10 in

UCLA

history)

**400mH** – Ysanne Williams (57.59, No. 8 in UCLA  
history)

**HJ** – Darnesha Griffith (5-10 1/2, No. 10 in UCLA  
History)

**PV** –

Heather Sickler (13-3 1/2, No. 5 in UCLA  
history)

Gail Larsen (12-9 1/2, No. 6 in UCLA history)

Karen Bewley (12-6 1/4, No. 7 in UCLA history)

**DT** – Lara Saye (168-11)

### **NCAA Automatic Men**

**SP** - Dan Ames (63-10 1/4)

**DT** – Scott Moser (206-8, No. 3 UCLA history, junior  
class record)

### **NCAA Provisional Men**

**10,000m** – Bryan Green (29:25.20, No. 9 UCLA

history)

Will Bernaldo (29:39.26, No. 10

UCLA

history)

**400mH** – Kyle Erickson (50.54)  
John Hall (50.97)

**4X100m Relay** - Steve Hayes, Warren Rogers,  
Michael Lipscomb, Bryan Harrison - 39.96

**PV** – Yoo Kim (17-4 1/2)

**SP**- Scott Moser (62-4 1/2)

Scott Wiegand (59-11 1/4)

**DT** – Dan Ames (196-8, No. 9 school history)

**JT** – Nate Marum (228-11)

**UCLA Pac-10 Top 5 (2001 Championships, May 19-  
20, at Berkeley) – Boldface (Event Leaders)**

### **Pac-10 Women**

**(Event Leaders – Adia McKinnon (400m), Michelle  
Perry (100mH), Michelle Perry/Sheena Johnson  
(400mH), 4 X 400m Relay (3:32.76), Darnesha  
Griffith (HJ), Tracy O’Hara (PV), Christina Tolson  
(SP/HT), Chaniqua Ross (DT), Michelle Perry (Hep).**

**100m** – 2. Shakedia Jones (11.13)

**200m** - 2. Shakedia Jones (23.29)

**400m** – 1. **Adia McKinnon (52.88)**

**800m** – 3. Ysanne Williams (2:05.51)

4. Tiffany Burgess (2:06.13)

5. Lena Nilsson (2:06.47)

**Mile** – 4. Elaine Canchola (4:51.21i)

**100m H** – 1. **Michelle Perry (13.18)**

4. Sani Roseby (13.40)

**400m H** – 1. **Michelle Perry/Sheena Johnson  
(56.23)**

4. Ysanne Williams (57.59)

**4 X 100m Relay** – 2. UCLA (44.19)

**4 X 400m Relay** – 1. **UCLA (3:32.76)**

**HJ**- 1. **Darnesha Griffith (6-0 3/4i)**

**PV**- 1. **Tracy O’Hara (14-6)**

3T. Erica Hoernig (13-5 1/4)

**SP**- 1. **Christina Tolson (58-2 1/2)**

2. Chaniqua Ross (54-3 3/4)

**DT** – 1. **Chaniqua Ross (183-9)**

**HT** – 1. **Christina Tolson (214-6)**

**HEP**- 1. **Michelle Perry (5,657)**

### **Pac-10 Men**

**(Event Leaders - Kyle Erickson (400mH), Dan Ames  
(SP), Scott Moser (DT)**

**200m** – 4. Michael Lipscomb (20.87)

5. Bryan Harrison (20.88)

**10,000m** – 5. Bryan Green (29:25.20)

**400m H**- 1. **Kyle Erickson (50.54)**

3. John Hall (50.97)

**4 X 100m Relay** – 3. 39.96

**4 X 400m Relay** – 4. 3:08.03

**PV** – 3. Steve Michels (17-5i)

4. Yoo Kim (17-4 1/2)

5. Jared Drake (17-0)

Joe Snee (17-0)

Tyrone Hazen (17-0)

**LJ** – 5. Oliver Jackson (24-8 1/4i)

**SP** – 1. **Dan Ames (63-10 1/4)**

2. Scott Moser (62-4 1/2)

5. Scott Wiegand (59-11 1/4)

**DT** – 1. **Scott Moser (206-8)**

2. Dan Ames (196-8)

**HT** – 3. Scott Moser (198-7)

**JT** – 3. Nate Marum (228-11)

### **UCLA Track and Field Pac-10 Athletes of the Week**

**May 7- Women Track** - At the UCLA/USC dual meet on May 5 at USC Cromwell Field/Loker Stadium, senior **Michelle Perry** competed in five events, including running the anchor leg (52.5) on UCLA’s 4 X 400m relay that clinched the victory for the Bruins. UCLA’s winning time of 3:32.76 was a season-best, stadium record, NCAA automatic qualifier and No. 8 in school history. Perry also won the 100m hurdles (13.18, season-best, NCAA provisional) and 400m hurdles (56.23, personal-best, NCAA automatic, No. 4 in school history), ran the third leg on UCLA’s 4 X 100m relay that placed second (44.19, season-best, NCAA automatic) and finished fourth in the long jump (19-6 1/4).

**April 30 – Women Track** - At the Penn Relays (April 26-28), freshman **Sheena Johnson** placed second in the women’s 400m hurdles, in a time of 56.23 (personal-best, No. 2 mark on the current collegiate chart, No 4 in school history, NCAA automatic

qualifier). She also ran the second leg on UCLA's 4 X 400m relay that placed sixth (3:35.38, season-best, NCAA provisional qualifier) in the collegiate championship final on Saturday.

**April 23 – Women Field** - At the Mt. SAC Relays (April 20-22), senior **Christina Tolson** won the hammer with an NCAA automatic qualifying mark of 214-6 (No. 2 on the current collegiate chart), breaking her own Pac-10 and UCLA record that she set last season (208-11). She also placed fourth overall (top collegian) in the invitational shot put (57-2, personal-best, collegiate leader, No. 5 UCLA history, NCAA automatic).

**April 16- Women Field** – Vs. Nebraska/CS Northridge on April 14 at Drake Stadium, junior **Tracy O'Hara** won the pole vault (13-9 1/4, No. 2 mark on the U. S college chart, season-best, NCAA automatic qualifier).

**April 9 – Women Field** – At the Texas Relays (April 5-7), senior **Christina Tolson** won the shot put (56-1 1/4, national leader, season-best, NCAA automatic) and was second in the hammer (207-11, ties season-best, NCAA automatic).

**UCLA's cross country and track and field teams are well represented on the Athletic Director's (3.00gpa or above) Honor Roll for the 2001 winter and 2000 fall quarters.**

#### Winter

**Women's CC** —Julia Barbour, Tiffany Burgess, Gina Donnelly, Kelly Grimes, Jessica Marr, Melissa McBain, Lena Nilsson

**Women's T & F** - Ola Adenyi, Lesley Bravin\*\*, Christine Chan, Brooke Fitzgerald\*\*, Nicole Gaskins\*\*, Erica Hoernig, Gail Larsen\*\*, Chaniqua Ross, Heather Sickler, Kristen Tucker.

**Men's CC** - Bryan Green\*\*, Mason Moore, Seth Neumuller\*\*\*, Andrew Wulf

**Men's T & F** – Dan Ames, Jack Clamon, Joshua Craig\*\*, Brandon Foster\*\*, Joe Franklin, Nate Marum, Jon Rankin, Chris Staton, Denye Versher, Tim Yeo, Phil Young\*\*

#### Fall

**Women's CC**—Christine Atkins\*\*, Julia Barbour, Michelle Barrack, Tiffany Burgess, Elaine Canchola,

### **2001 Recap**

#### Outdoor

**(May 5) - UCLA Women Beat USC with Victory in the 4 X 400m Relay; Bruin Men's Streak Comes to a Halt As USC Men Win Dual, Snapping UCLA's 22-Meet Winning Streak**

One UCLA streak continued while another came to an end Saturday in the annual UCLA vs. USC women's and men's track and field dual meet held at USC Cromwell Field/Loker Stadium, before a capacity

Stefani Clark, Valerie Flores, Alynda Franco, Kelly Grimes\*\*, Jessica Marr, Melissa McBain

**Women's T&F** - Ola Adenyi, Karen Bewley, Lesley Bravin, Christine Chan, Jessica Cosby, Brooke Fitzgerald\*\*, Nicole Gaskins\*\*, Sheena Johnson, Gail Larsen\*\*\*, Suzanne Linn, Heather Newlin\*\*, Bunmi Ogunleye, Tracy O'Hara, Heather Sickler\*\*, Kristen Tucker, Ysanne Williams

**Men's CC** - Scott Abbott\*\*\*, Martin Brix, Bryan Green\*\*, Seth Neumuller\*\*\*, Andrew Wulf

**Men's T & F** – John Barbieri, Jack Clamon, Josh Craig, Jared Drake, Brandon Foster\*\*, Nate Marum, Scott Moser, Tony Ortiz, Chris Staton, Denye Versher

\*\*3.50 or better

#### MPSF Indoor All-Academic

**Women** – Karen Bewley (3.38gpa), Suzanne Linn (3.40gpa), Heather Newlin (3.35 gpa), Chaniqua Ross (3.37)

**Men** - Jared Drake (3.35gpa), Andrew Wulf (3.09gpa)

#### Pronunciation Guide --

**Men** – Juaune (Ju-won) Armon; John Barbieri (Bar-be-air-ee); Will Bernaldo (Ber-nal-do); Jack Clamon (Claman); Yoo (U) Kim; David Kurien (Cure-e-in); Josh Levy (Le-vee); Scott Moser (Mo-sur); Paul Muite (Moy-tay); Chris Staton (Stat-in); Denye (Den-yea) Versher; Scott Wiegand (Wee-gand); Tim Yeo (Yo).

**Women** - Ola Adenyi (O-la A-den-yea); Karen Bewley (Bu-ley); Tiffany Burgess (Burr-jes); Elaine Canchola (Can-cho-la); Eboni Grayson (Eb-a-nee Grayson); Darnesha Griffith (Dar-ne-sha Griffith); Bridie Hatch (Bri-dee Hatch); Erica Hoernig (Hor-nig); Sheena (She-na) Johnson; Shakedia Jones (Sha-kee-da Jones); Adia (A-dee-a) McKinnon; Lena Nilsson (Lee-na Nil-son); Bunmi Ogunleye (Boo-mee O-gun-lay-e); Emilie Reyboz (Ray-boz); Hasani Roseby (goes by first name of Sani (Saw-nee), Roseby (Rose-bee); Chaniqua (Cha-ni-qua) Ross; Lara Saye (Say); Ysanne Williams (Ya-san Williams).

crowd of 3,127.

The Bruin women won their dual meet over USC for the ninth consecutive year, beating the Trojans, 85-78.

But the UCLA men's 22-meet winning streak came to a halt, as the Trojan men won the dual for the first time since 1977, 82-81.

The women's dual came down to the 4 X 400m relay. Going into the meet, the Trojan women had the best time of the season (3:34.86 to UCLA's 3:35.38). But the Bruin relay of freshman Adia McKinnon, freshman Sheena Johnson, junior Ysanne Williams and senior anchor Michelle Perry won with a time of 3:32.76 (USC ran 3:33.17). UCLA's time was a

stadium record, season-best, an NCAA automatic qualifying mark and No. 8 in school history.

In the men's meet, UCLA had to place one two-three in the 5000m and win the 4 X 400m relay to win the meet.

But UCLA was only able to finish one-two in the 5000m. Bruin senior Will Bernaldo was first (14:57.91) and junior Bryan Green placed second (15:06.44), as USC sophomore Justin Neems (15:13.32) edged Bruin freshman Jon Rankin for third place (15:16.57), sealing the victory for the Trojan men. It was Rankin's second distance event of the day, after winning the 1500m (3:49.08, personal-best).

The Bruin men (3:08.03, season-best) did come back to win the 4 X 400m relay, beating USC (3:08.20).

The Bruin men suffered two other setbacks. In the 4 X 100m relay (dropped baton) and in the 400m hurdles (sophomore Kyle Erickson was leading the race, but tripped and fell over the last hurdle and placed fifth).

#### **UCLA Women**

Perry's anchor leg victory in the 4 X 400m relay was her fifth event of the day. Perry, who is also the nation's collegiate leader in the heptathlon, won the 100m hurdles (13.18, season-best, NCAA provisional) and 400m hurdles (56.23, personal-best, NCAA automatic qualifier, No. 4 in school history), ran on UCLA's 4 X 100m relay that placed second (44.19, season-best, NCAA automatic) and finished fourth in the long jump (19-6 1/4).

UCLA's other winners were - senior Shakedia Jones in the 100m (11.13, season-best, NCAA automatic); sophomore Elaine Canchola in the 3000m steeplechase (13:08.99, the women actually ran an extra lap); junior Darnesha Griffith in the high jump (5 10 1/2, season-best, NCAA provisional qualifier); junior Tracy O'Hara in the pole vault (14-0, meet record), senior Christina Tolson in the shot put (58-2 1/2, personal-best, NCAA automatic qualifier, No. 4 in school history) and hammer throw (held on Friday at W.

LA College, 207-3, meet record) and sophomore Chaniqua Ross in the discus (183-9, personal-best, NCAA automatic qualifier, No. 9 in school history).

UCLA has now won the last nine women's meets in a row and leads the series 15-3. Bruin head coach Jeanette Bolden has never lost to the Trojans (8-0, dating back to 1994).

#### **UCLA Men**

Other winners for the Bruin men were freshman Michael Lipscomb in the 200m (20.87, personal-best); junior Andrew Wulf in the 3000m steeplechase (9:03.56, personal-best); freshman Dan Ames in the shot put (63-10 1/4, personal-best, NCAA automatic qualifier); junior Scott Moser in the discus (198-3) and sophomore Nate Marum in the javelin (215-3).

USC's one-point win tied for the closest dual meet in the series history (in 1999, Bob Larsen's last

season as the Bruin head coach, UCLA beat USC 82-81 at Cromwell Field). USC's dual win snaps UCLA's 22-meet winning streak. The Bruins' streak was from 1978-2000 (the 1982 meet was nonscoring). USC leads the series 39-29 (the Trojans won the first 33 meets, dating back to 1934).

#### **UCLA/USC on Television**

**Fox Sports West will air a two-hour tape delayed show on Saturday, May 19 at 3 p.m.**

### **Results from the Penn Relays in Philadelphia and the Cal/Nevada Championships at UC Irvine (Thurs.-Sun., April 26-29)**

#### **Final Day (Saturday)-Penn Relays**

##### **Jones Second in 100m; UCLA Third in 4 X 800m and Sixth in 4 X 400m Relays**

In women's collegiate championship final races on Saturday, UCLA senior Shakedia Jones was second in the 100m, UCLA's 4 X 800m relay placed third and the Bruins' 4 X 400m relay was sixth.

In the 100m, Jones placed second with a time of 11.45. First-place went to LSU's Muna Lee (11.24) and third-place was Indiana's Rachelle Boone (11.51). On Friday, Jones qualified for the championship race with an 11.41 (season-best, NCAA provisional qualifying mark).

In the 4 X 800m relay, UCLA's third-place time was 8:28.61, a new school record (the Bruins set the record on April 5, winning the event at the Texas Relays, in 8:33.21). Running for the Bruins were senior Bridget Hatch (2:08.8), sophomore Jessica Marr (2:06.2), sophomore Tiffany Burgess (2:07.2) and freshman Lena Nilsson (2:06.4). The first-place relay was Florida (8:24.25) and second-place was Georgetown (8:24.67).

In the 4 X 400m relay, UCLA's sixth-place time was 3:35.38, a season-best and NCAA provisional qualifying mark. Running for the Bruins were freshman Adia McKinnon, freshman Sheena Johnson, freshman Nicole Gaskins and junior Ysanne Williams. The winning relay was South Carolina (3:28.34). UCLA qualified for Saturday's championship race by running a 3:36.38 (second-best time of the season, NCAA provisional qualifier) during Thursday's prelims.

#### **Day Two (Friday)-Penn Relays**

##### **UCLA Senior Shakedia Jones Qualifies for Saturday's 100m Final**

On Friday during day-two of the Penn Relays in Philadelphia, UCLA senior Shakedia Jones qualified for Saturday's championship final race in the women's 100m.

In the women's 100m on Friday, there were three heats. Jones won heat two with a time of 11.41 (season-best, NCAA provisional qualifier). Her mark was the second-fastest of the day, trailing only LSU's Muna Lee (11.31). Jones, Lee and seven other

runners from Friday's heats will compete in Saturday's final.

UCLA's other participant on Friday was freshman Sani Roseby in the women's 100m hurdles. There were three heats in the event, with Roseby placing sixth in heat three, in a time of 14.33. She did not advance to Saturday's championship final.

#### **Day One (Thursday)-Penn Relays**

#### **UCLA Freshman Sheena Johnson First-Day Standout At Penn Relays**

UCLA freshman Sheena Johnson was a standout for the Bruin women on Thursday during the first day of the Penn Relays in Philadelphia. Johnson competed in the 400m hurdles and on both Bruin relays during first day action at the Penn Relays.

In the women's 400m hurdles, there were seven sections. Johnson and Bruin junior Ysanne Williams ran in section one and the top four times from that section were the top four times of the day (a championship final is not run in this event).

The winner was Harvard's Brenda Taylor (56.11), followed by Johnson's 56.23, Texas' Angel Patterson (56.76) and Williams' (57.59). Taylor's time is the top U. S. collegiate mark this season and Johnson's mark is No. 2 in the U. S. Her 56.23 is a personal-best, No. 4 in school history and an NCAA automatic qualifier. Williams' 57.59 is also a personal-best, No. 8 in school history and an NCAA provisional mark.

In the women's 4 X100m relay, there were 11 heats.

UCLA ran in heat four, placing first, in a time of 45.29. UCLA's relay team was freshman Sani Roseby, Johnson, freshman Adia McKinnon and senior Shakedia Jones. UCLA's mark did not advance to Friday's collegiate championship race.

In the women's 4 X 400m relay, there were 10 major college heats with the top eight times qualifying for Saturday's collegiate championship. UCLA's relay of freshman Nicole Gaskins, Johnson, Williams and McKinnon, placed second in heat five, with a time of 3:36.38 (season-best outdoor mark, NCAA provisional). The Bruins did advance to Saturday's championship final. The winner of heat five was Clemson (3:35.86) and the top time was turned in by South Carolina (3:33.55).

Johnson, from Stafford, VA Garfield HS, is familiar with the Penn Relays. The 2000 U. S. Junior champion in the 400m hurdles (with her then-personal-best of 56.82), Johnson last season became the first prep in Penn Relays history to win the 400m hurdles three consecutive seasons and was named the Outstanding Female HS Athlete of last year's Penn Relays.

Bruin senior Michelle Perry was scheduled to run on a Bruin relay, but suffered from food poisoning on Thursday and was unable to participate.

In a women's field event on Thursday, Bruin junior Darnesha Griffith placed sixth in the high jump, with a mark of 5-8.

#### **Cal/Nevada Championships**

#### **UCLA Men Place Second, Bruin Women are Fourth; For the Men, Ryan Wins 110m hurdles and Moser the Discus; For the Women, O'Hara Takes Pole Vault Crown, Tolson Wins Shot Put and Hammer Throw; Tolson Named Cal/Nevada Field Athlete of the Year**

Art Venegas' UCLA men's team placed second and Jeanette Bolden's Bruin women's squad was fourth at the Cal/Nevada Track & Field Championships, held at UC Irvine. The meet was a two-day affair that concluded Sunday.

The Bruin men placed a strong second, with 125.33 points, just behind first-place California, with 127 points. UCLA's women had 58.67 points for fourth-place, behind first-place San Diego State (110), California (83.67) and Nevada (59). Neither Bruin squad was at full-strength. The UCLA men held out their top sprinters and 400m hurdlers and the Bruin women sprinters, hurdlers and relay participants were at the Penn Relays.

In men's competition, the Bruin winners were – freshman Chucky Ryan in the 110m hurdles (14.08, season-best) and UCLA's 4 X 400m relay (3:09.20, season-best). UCLA went one-three in the discus – junior Scott Moser was first (197-5), followed by freshman Dan Ames (183-7) and sophomore Scott Wiegand (174-6, personal-best).

Finishing second for the UCLA men were junior Andrew Wulf in the 3000m steeplechase (9:03.72, personal-best), freshman Yoo Kim in the pole vault (16-7 1/4-tied for second, personal-best), Wiegand in the shot put (59-11 1/4, personal-best) and sophomore Nate Marum in the javelin (210-11). Freshman Nick Thornton was third in the 800m (1:51.46, personal-best).

In women's competition, the Bruins were led by these winners – junior Tracy O'Hara in the pole vault (14-6, season-best, top collegiate mark in the U. S., NCAA automatic qualifier) and senior Christina Tolson in the shot put (56-7 1/4) and hammer throw (211-10). For her wins in both the shot put and hammer throw, Tolson was named the Cal/Nevada Field Athlete of the Year.

Sophomore Chaniqua Ross was second in the discus (171-4). A third-place finish was turned in by junior Heather Sickler in the pole vault (12-8 1/4).

#### **UCLA track and field highlight results from (April 19-22) - Mt SAC Relays (20-22), Mt. SAC Heptathlon (April 19-20), Long Beach Invite (April 21), Pomona Invite (April 20) and the Antelope Valley Throwers meet (April 19).**

#### **Mt. SAC Relays-Women**

Senior Christina Tolson, from Fountain Valley, led the Bruin effort in the women's hammer and shot put. In the university women's hammer on Saturday,

Tolson set a new Pac-10 and UCLA record (she held the old mark set last year of 208-11), with a winning effort of 214-6 (personal-best, No. 2 on the current college chart, NCAA automatic qualifier). Then on Sunday in the invitational shot put, Tolson placed fourth overall (the top collegian), with a personal-best 57-2 (collegiate leader, No. 5 in UCLA history, NCAA automatic qualifier).

Along with Tolson, other top UCLA women's results from Mt. SAC were:

**800m** – in her invitational race on Sunday, junior Ysanne Williams placed fifth overall (second collegian), with a mark of 2:05.51 (season-best, No. 3 on collegiate chart, NCAA provisional); in their university open races on Saturday, sophomore Tiffany Burgess placed first in her heat (2:07.46, personal-best, NCAA provisional) and in another heat, senior Bridie Hatch was also first (2:07.54, personal-best) and sophomore Jessica Marr was second (2:08.50, personal-best).

**pole vault** – in the invitational on Sunday, junior Tracy O'Hara was fourth (top collegian, 13-1 3/4); in the university open event on Saturday, senior Erica Hoernig placed first (13-1 3/4, season-best, NCAA provisional) and sophomore Karen Bewley was 14<sup>th</sup> (12-6, personal-best, NCAA provisional).

**throws** – sophomore Chaniqua Ross on Sunday in the invitational shot put placed fifth overall (second collegian), with a personal-best 54-4 3/4 (No. 3 on collegiate chart, No. 7 in UCLA history, NCAA automatic) and in the invitational discus, she was eighth (172-10).

#### **Mt. SAC Relays-Men**

Junior Scott Moser and freshman Denye Versher led the Bruin men at the Mt. SAC Relays. Moser on Sunday placed fifth overall in the invitational discus (198-1). On Saturday in a university open 400m, Versher won his heat (47.29, personal-best), then came back on Sunday to run the opening leg on UCLA's winning (university open) 4 X 400m relay (3:09.62, season-best).

Other top Bruin men's results from Mt SAC were:

**sprints** – in a university open 100m heat on Sunday, Bryan Harrison placed first (10.58). Freshman Michael Lipscomb was third in his 100m heat (10.61, season-best) and second (21.23) in his 200m heat.

**4 X 100m Relay** – on Sunday in the university open, the Bruins placed first (40.46).

**4 X 800m Relay** – on Saturday in the university open, UCLA won the relay (for the first time since 1972), with a season-best mark of 7:30.11 (freshman Nick Thornton, 1:53.1; freshman Jon Rankin, 1:50.9; junior Martin Brix, 1:52.9; sophomore Phil Young, 1:53.1). The last time the Bruins won this event at Mt. SAC was 1972.

**pole vault** – in the university open event on Saturday, junior Joe Snee placed third collegiately (16-8 3/4, personal-best).

**long jump** – in the university open on Saturday, freshman Juaune Armon won his section in the long jump (23-11), with fellow freshman Oliver Jackson second (23-10 1/4w, season-wind-aided outdoor best).

**throws** – on Sunday, freshman Dan Ames in a university open shot put section placed third (60-10, outdoor-best, NCAA provisional) and in the invitational discus, was 10<sup>th</sup> (188-10).

#### **Mt. SAC Relays Heptathlon**

The Mt. SAC Relays Heptathlon was held at Azusa Pacific Thursday-Friday (April 19-20). Competing in her first-ever collegiate multi-event competition, UCLA senior Michelle Perry tied for third overall (tied for first among collegians), with an NCAA automatic qualifying mark of 5,657 (Perry tied for first place with San Diego State's Aja Fray and their mark of 5,657 leads the U.S. collegiate chart). Perry's point-total is No. 4 on the all-time UCLA list and Fray's total was an SDSU school-record. Perry was the No. 2 collegian after the first day, with 3,370 points. The overall winner was Germany's Sabine Krieger (6,041, second-best in the world to date; Krieger was fifth at the 2000 Olympics), followed by Nike's Trayce Lawyer (5,690).

From Palmdale Quartz Hill, Perry's two-day marks were: Friday – long jump (20-1 3/4, best mark of the competition, 893 points), javelin (119-9, 600 points) and 800m (2:22.21, 794 points); Thursday – 100m hurdles (13.76, second-best time of the day, 1,013 points), high jump (5-3 3/4, 759 points), shot put (36-8 1/2, 608 points) and 200m (23.90w(+4.9), best wind-aided mark of the day, 990 points).

The Bruins have not had a heptathlon competitor at the NCAA Outdoor since 1995, when Shelia Burrell placed fourth (5,720). Burrell was a member of the 2000 U. S. Olympic team.

A four-time NCAA Outdoor All-American, Perry is the two-time defending

Pac-10 100m hurdle champion.

#### **Antelope Valley College Throwers Meet**

Also on Thursday (April 19), several of UCLA's throwers competed at the Antelope Valley Throwers meet. In the women's discus, sophomore Chaniqua Ross won the collegiate competition (placed second overall), with a mark of 171-9. Freshman Lara Saye was fifth (150-9).

In the men's discus throw, junior Scott Moser also won the collegiate competition (placed second overall, the overall winner was Canada's Jason Tunks, 212-1; Tunks placed sixth at the 2000 Olympics), with a mark of 201-6. Redshirt freshman Dan Ames was third (192-5) and sophomore Scott Wiegand set a personal-best (172-9).

#### **Long Beach Invite**

The Long Beach Invite was Saturday (April 21) and hosted by Long Beach State.

The women's highlights were – freshman Nicole Gaskins winning her 200m heat (24.64, season

outdoor opener); senior Heather Newlin placing second in the high jump (5-5 3/4) and junior Kristee Porter winning the women's triple jump (39-6, season-best).

The men's highlights were – sophomore Brandon Foster winning his 100m heat (11.16); freshman Josh Craig placing first in a 400m heat (49.16) and sophomore John Barbieri placing second in his 400m hurdle heat (53.97) .

#### **Pomona Invite**

At the Pomona Invite on Friday (April 20), UCLA had two competitors in the women's 3000m steeplechase. Senior Gina Donnelly placed 12<sup>th</sup>, in a personal-best 11:10.65 (just missing the NCAA provisional qualifying mark of 11:10.00) and sophomore Melissa McBain was 14<sup>th</sup> (11:21.73).

#### **On April 14 at Drake Stadium, UCLA's track and field teams defeated Nebraska and CS Northridge in dual and triangular scoring. It was the Bruins' final home meet of the 2001 outdoor season.**

Jeanette Bolden's UCLA women's team won the tri meet with 157 points, followed by Nebraska ( 135) and CS Northridge (87). The Bruin women also beat Nebraska (104-58) and CS Northridge (120-66) in the dual meets, with Nebraska defeating CS Northridge (106-81).

Art Venegas' Bruin men's squad duplicated the UCLA women's victories, winning the tri meet (UCLA 173 1/2, Nebraska 137 1/2, CS Northridge 84) and victorious in both duals (UCLA 109 1/2-Nebraska 88 1/2; UCLA 135-CS Northridge 62). Nebraska beat CS Northridge in dual scoring (115-80).

The UCLA women in the field were led by senior Christina Tolson, who won both the shot put (56-6 1/2, national collegiate leader, season-best, NCAA automatic qualifier) and hammer (202-8). UCLA's other victories in field competition were – junior Tracy O'Hara in the pole vault (13-9 1/4, season best, NCAA automatic qualifier) and sophomore Chaniqua Ross in the discus (173-11, ties season-best, NCAA provisional qualifier).

On the track, the Bruin women were led by freshmen, Adia McKinnon and Sheena Johnson. McKinnon won the 200m (23.72, personal-best) and 400m (52.88, personal-best, NCAA provisional qualifier) and ran on both of UCLA's winning relays (4 X 100m, third leg, 45.25; 4 X 400m relay, opening leg, 3:41.03, season-best). Johnson won the 100m hurdles (13.52, personal-best, NCAA provisional qualifier) and ran the second leg on UCLA's winning 4 X 100m relay. Also winning for the UCLA women on the track were – senior Shakedia Jones in the 100m (11.55, outdoor season opener, NCAA provisional qualifier), junior Ysanne Williams in the 800m (2:09.27) and sophomore Elaine Canchola in the 1500m (4:32.71).

In men's field competition, UCLA junior Scott Moser won two events, the shot put (61-9 1/2) and the discus (194-6), and placed third in the hammer (186-7). Other Bruin winners in the field events included – freshman Juaune Armon in the long jump (24-3, personal-best), sophomore Nate Marum in the javelin (228-11, personal-best, NCAA provisional qualifier) and freshman Dan Ames in the hammer throw (192-10, personal-best).

On the track in the men's events, the Bruins were led by senior Bryan Harrison, sophomore Kyle Erickson and freshman Denye Versher. Harrison won the 200m (20.88, season-best), placed second in the 100m (10.49, season legal-best), and ran the anchor leg on UCLA's winning 4 X 100m relay (39.96, season-best, NCAA provisional qualifier). Erickson won the 400m hurdles (50.54, personal-best, NCAA provisional qualifier) and ran the second leg on the Bruins' victorious 4 X 400m relay (3:11.13, season-best) Versher won the 400m (47.30, personal-best) and ran the opening leg on the winning UCLA 4 X 400m relay. Also winning for the Bruins on the track was freshman Chuckie Ryan in the 110m hurdles (14.18, season-best).

#### **On April 4-7, UCLA traveled to Austin for the 74<sup>th</sup> running of the Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays. This year's relays featured more than 5,000 high school, collegiate and professional athletes competing in 117 events at the four-day meet.**

The Bruins had three winners in the women's competition — freshman Lena Nilsson in the 1500m (4:23.17, season-best, NCAA provisional); UCLA's 4 X 800m relay (8:33.21, school record) and senior Christina Tolson in the shot put (56-1 1/4, season-best, NCAA automatic). UCLA's men were led by junior Scott Moser, who placed fourth in the shot put (61-7), third in the discus (194-10) and 11<sup>th</sup> in the hammer (186-6); freshman Dan Ames, who was seventh in the shot put (60-1 3/4), sixth in the discus (191-1) and sixth in the hammer (192-8, personal-best), along with sophomore Kyle Erickson in the 400m hurdles, who placed sixth (50.93, personal-best, NCAA provisional).

Here are the UCLA women/men results from the four-day meet.

#### **Women**

**1500m** – Lena Nilsson, first-place (4:23.17, season-best, NCAA provisional); Bridie Hatch, 11<sup>th</sup> (4:41.63)

**3000m SC** – Elaine Canchola, 4<sup>th</sup> (10:54.79, personal-best), Melissa McBain, 11<sup>th</sup> (11:55.98)

**5000m** – Gina Donnelly, 16<sup>th</sup> (18:39.04)

**4 X 800m Relay** – UCLA (Ysanne Williams, Jessica Marr, Tiffany Burgess, Lena Nilsson), first-place (8:33.21, school record)

**Distance Medley Relay** – UCLA, 5<sup>th</sup> (11:48.71)

**Pole Vault – Section A** – Tracy O'Hara, 8<sup>th</sup> (12-11 1/2), Heather Sickler, 11<sup>th</sup> (11-11 3/4), Erica Hoernig,

11<sup>th</sup> (11-11 3/4). **Section B** – Karen Bewley, 11<sup>th</sup> (11-5 3/4)

**Shot Put – Section A** - Christina Tolson, first-place (56-1 1/4, season-best, NCAA automatic), Chaniqua Ross, 4<sup>th</sup> (53-0, season-best, NCAA automatic)

**Discus – Section B**- Lara Saye, 3<sup>rd</sup> (160-2)

**Javelin-Section B** – Karina Powell, 10<sup>th</sup> (124-11)

**Hammer** – Christina Tolson, 2<sup>nd</sup> (207-11, ties season best, NCAA automatic)

## Men

**100m – Heat 4**- Joe Hunter, 7<sup>th</sup> (11.70w), **Heat 5** – Michael Lipscomb, 5<sup>th</sup> (10.65w, season-best wind-aided), **Heat 6**- Warren Rogers, 3<sup>rd</sup> (10.67w), **Heat 7** – Bryan Harrison, 2<sup>nd</sup> (10.46w, season-best wind-aided)

**1500m** – Paul Muite, 4<sup>th</sup> (3:56.33), Jon Rankin, 12<sup>th</sup> (4:06.85)

**110m HH – Heat 8** – Chuckie Ryan, 4<sup>th</sup> (14.23w, season-best wind-aided)

**400mH – Final** – Kyle Erickson, 6<sup>th</sup> (50.93, personal-best, NCAA provisional), John Hall, 7<sup>th</sup> (51.30).

**Qualifying-Heat 2**-John Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> (51.02, season-best, NCAA provisional), **Heat 3**-Kyle Erickson, 1<sup>st</sup> (51.61)

**3000mSC** – Mason Moore, 6<sup>th</sup> (9:21.7)

**4 X 100m Relay – Heat 3**- UCLA, 2<sup>nd</sup> (40.51), did not advance to final

**4 X 400m Relay – Heat 5** – UCLA, 1<sup>st</sup> (3:14.27), did not advance to final

**4 X 800m Relay** – UCLA, 7<sup>th</sup> (7:40.62)

**4 X 1500m Relay** – UCLA, 9<sup>th</sup> (15:57.96)

**Pole Vault- Section B**-Jared Drake, 5<sup>th</sup> (16-10 3/4, ties season best)

**Long Jump-Section B**-Juaune Armon, 10<sup>th</sup> (23-9 1/2w), Oliver Jackson, 11<sup>th</sup> (23-7 1/2w, season-best wind-aided)

**Shot Put-Section A**- Scott Moser, 4<sup>th</sup> (61-7), Dan Ames, 7<sup>th</sup> (60-1 3/4); **Section B**-Scott Wiegand, 2<sup>nd</sup> (59-0), Jack Clamon, 4<sup>th</sup> (57-1, season-best)

**Discus-Section A**-Scott Moser, 3<sup>rd</sup> (194-10), Dan Ames, 6<sup>th</sup> (191-1)

**Hammer** –Dan Ames, 6<sup>th</sup> (192-8, personal best), Scott Moser, 11<sup>th</sup> (186-6)

**Javelin-Section A**-Nate Marum, 8<sup>th</sup> (211-04), Joe Franklin, 12<sup>th</sup> (181-0)

### On Saturday, March 31, UCLA's women and men track and field teams defeated UC Irvine, Azusa Pacific and CS Los Angeles in quadrangular scoring at Drake Stadium.

Jeanette Bolden's Bruin women's squad won with 252 points, followed by UC Irvine 140.5, Azusa Pacific 105 and CS Los Angeles 83.5. Art Venegas' UCLA men's team won its quad meet with 256 points, followed by Azusa Pacific 138, UC Irvine 122 and CS Los Angeles 57.

In women's competition, Bruin senior Christina Tolson, from Fountain Valley and the 2001 NCAA Indoor shot put champion, won three throwing events – shot put (54-6 3/4), discus (145-4) and hammer (203-10). A double winner in the field events was UCLA junior Darnesha Griffith, who won the high jump (5-10) and the triple jump (38-10 1/2). CS Los Angeles junior Nicole Duncan, the NCAA Div. II Indoor long jump champion, won the long jump (20-4 1/2) and the 100m (11.78). The Bruin women won both relays (4 X 100m, 45.15; 4 X 400m, 3:43.64, outdoor season best), with senior Michelle Perry running on both relays and winning the 100m hurdles (13.75). UCLA junior Tracy O'Hara won the collegiate pole vault (13-5 1/2), with Canada's Stephanie McCann, competing unattached, setting a Canadian National record (13-9 1/4).

In men's competition, Bruin freshman Juaune Armon, from San Jose, won both the long (24-0 1/4) and triple jumps (48-9) in personal-best marks. Bruin sophomore Scott Wiegand won the shot put (57-2 1/4) and the discus (161-6). The Bruins won both relays (4 X 100m, 40.33, season-best; 4 X 400m, 3:12.35, season-best), with junior Michael Lipscomb running on the 4 X 100m relay and winning the 200m (21.31) and senior Bryan Harrison running on the 4 X 400m relay and victorious in the 100m (10.61, season-best).

Also last Saturday, the Bruins had several throwers compete at the UC San Diego Throwing Invitational and two men's distance runners at the Stanford Invitational. In the men's discus invitational at UCSD, junior Scott Moser placed fourth, with a personal-best and new Bruin junior class record of 206-8 (the old mark was 204-2, set by John Godina, 1994) and redshirt freshman Dan Ames was seventh (personal-best 196-8). In the women's discus invitational, sophomore Chaniqua Ross was seventh (173-11, season-best) and freshman Lara Saye was ninth (168-11, personal-best). The women's discus invite had two former UCLA standouts place one-two – Seilala Sua was first (215-4) and Suzy Powell second (209-8).

At Stanford, senior Will Bernaldo and junior Bryan Green set personal-bests and NCAA provisional qualifying marks in the 10,000m. Green placed 26<sup>th</sup>, with a time of 29:25.20 and Bernaldo was 32<sup>nd</sup>, 29:39.26.

### On March 17, UCLA traveled to Berkeley for a meet with California, Washington and Washington State.

The Bruin men won the quadrangular meet with 214 points. In a close meet, the UCLA women placed second, with 200 points, behind Washington State, which finished with 203 points.

For the men, Rodney Diggs won the 400m dash in 17.63. In the 800m run, Nick Thorton won in a

time of 1:53.37. Mason Moore won the 3,000m steeplechase in 9:05.40 and Bryan Green won the 5,000m run in 14:23.51. Kyle Erickson won the 400m hurdles in 51.26. The men's 4 x 100m relay team won in 40.36 and the 4 x 400m relay team won in 3:12.84. Scott Moser won the shot put with a throw of 62'4 1/2" (19.01m) and the discus with a throw of 191' 11" (58.50m).

In the women's 100m dash and 100m hurdles, Michelle Perry placed first in a time of 11.57 and 13.30. Freshman Adia McKinnon placed first in the 400m dash in a time of 54.10. Jessica Marr placed first in the 800m run in 2:08.89. Lena Nilsson won the 1,500m run in 4:29.29. The women's 4 x 100m relay team won in a time of 44.94. And, the 4 x 400m relay team won with a time of 3:39.53. Erica Hoernig won the pole vault, clearing a height of 11'11 3/4" (3.65m). Chaniqua Ross won the shot put with a throw of 52' 8 3/4" (16.07m). And, Christina Tolson won the hammer throw with a mark of 207'11" (63.38m).

### Indoor

**On March 9-10 the University of Arkansas hosted the 2001 NCAA Indoor Championships in Fayetteville. The UCLA women won their team title for the second year in row. It is UCLA's 84<sup>th</sup> NCAA team championship, the highest total in the nation.**

The Bruin women won with 53.50 points, ahead of South Carolina (40) and Clemson/Arizona (30 points). The UCLA women were led by senior Christina Tolson, who placed first in the shot put (55-9 3/4) and second in the weight throw (68-9 3/4). Second-place finishes were by sophomore Tracy O'Hara in the pole vault (13-9 1/2) and senior Deana Simmons (44-2 1/2, personal-best) in the triple jump.

Also earning All-America honors (top eight) for the Bruin women were – senior Shakedia Jones in the 60m (5<sup>th</sup>, 7.40, 7.36 qualifying), senior Michelle Perry in the 60m hurdles (5<sup>th</sup>, 8.25; 8.22 qualifying), UCLA's 4 X 400m relay (junior Bunmi Ogunleye, freshman Sheena Johnson, junior Ysanne Williams, freshman Adia McKinnon, 5<sup>th</sup>, 3:35.27), junior Darnesha Griffith in the high jump (4<sup>th</sup>T, 60) and freshman Jessica Cosby in the shot put (5<sup>th</sup>, 53-5).

Competing for the Bruin women were – junior Ysanne Williams in the 800m (2:08.07 qualifying) and sophomore Carrie Soong in the weight throw (10<sup>th</sup>, 62-8 3/4).

In men's competition, junior Scott Moser earned All-America honors in the shot put (8<sup>th</sup>, 61-8 1/4). Also for the Bruin men, senior Steve Michels no-heighted in the pole vault and freshman Dan Ames was ninth in the shot put (9<sup>th</sup>, 61-0 3/4).

### **On March 2-3 at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, the Bruins sent eight athletes to the 2001 USA Indoor Championships.**

In women's competition, senior Christina Tolson placed third in both the shot put (56-4 3/4) and weight throw (65-5).

Also competing for the Bruin women were – in the 60m hurdles, senior Michelle Perry (8.50 qualifying, did not make the final); in the pole vault, sophomore Tracy O'Hara (5<sup>th</sup>, 13-3 3/4); in the shot put, freshman Jessica Cosby (5<sup>th</sup>, 52-7 1/2) and sophomore Chaniqua Ross (7<sup>th</sup>, 51-10 1/2) and in the weight throw, sophomore Cari Soong (9<sup>th</sup>, 59-4 3/4).

In the men's shot put competition, junior Scott Moser placed sixth (59-7 3/4) and freshman Dan Ames also qualified for the event.

Bruin alumni who performed well in Atlanta included – Amy Acuff, first place in the high jump (6-3 1/2); Bisa Grant, second in the 60m hurdles (8.02); John Godina, second in the shot put (67-6) and Seilala Sua, fourth in the shot put (56-2).

### **On Feb. 23-24 at Flagstaff, Northern Arizona University hosted the MPSF Championships.**

UCLA's women placed second with 130 points, behind winner Arizona (142) and the Bruin men were fifth (83).

In women's competition, UCLA winners were – senior Bridie Hatch in the 800m (2:12.34); senior Michelle Perry in the 60m hurdles (8.28); 4 X 400m relay (junior Bunmi Ogunleye, freshman Sheena Johnson, junior Ysanne Williams, freshman Adia McKinnon, 3:35.82); junior Tracy O'Hara in the pole vault (14-1 3/4); senior Deana Simmons in the triple jump (41-7); senior Christina Tolson in the shot put (54-1 3/4) and weight throw (64-7 1/4).

In men's competition, freshman Dan Ames won the shot put (60-10).