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Indoor Track

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Binghamton participates in two invitationals

Members of the men's and women's indoor track teams competed in the Collegiate Open at the New York City Armory over the weekend, while other members from each team traveled to Cornell to participate in the Denault Invitational. The pair of meets were the last in the regular season for the Bearcats, who will send full squads to the America East Championship next weekend.

Savinon sets a school record in 800 meters

Senior distance runner **Francisco Savinon (Franklin Square, N.Y./H. Frank Carey)** produced the team's top performance at the Collegiate Open. Savinon crossed in 1:54.60, and set a new school record in the process.

"Frank had a good race," head coach Mike Thompson said. "He was a little disappointed in his last few races, so to win and set a school record today will really boost his confidence heading into the conference championship."

Cloud and Tillman give impressive performances

Freshman thrower **Andrew Cloud (Massapequa, N.Y.)** broke his own school record in the weight throw at the Cornell Invitational. Cloud's toss of 57-1 was more than four feet better than his previous personal best. Cloud finished second in the event, but his mark qualified him for the ECAC/IC4A meet next month.

"Andrew had a huge throw," Thompson said. "We knew he would produce a throw of this distance. We were a little surprised he hadn't reached this distance before this meet, but it was just a matter of time. His performance is a great catalyst heading into the conference meet."

Sophomore **Nick Tillman (Binghamton, N.Y./Susquehanna Valley)** won the high jump with a leap of 6-feet-6. It was a collegiate best for Tillman, who last reached this height as a junior in high school.

"Nick is peaking at the right time," Thompson said. "He was very close to reaching 6-8 with his jump and 6-9 is the top mark in the conference this year."

Stitt and Warren lead women in high jump

Freshman **Jaime Stitt (Ballston Lake, N.Y./Shenandehowa)** and sophomore **Lindsay Warren (Lansing, N.Y.)** tied for second place in the pole vault. Each produced a leap of 10-feet, 3 1/2 inches.

"Lindsay established a new personal best," Thompson said. "Our women are always up there in the pole vault. I think that Jaime can compete for one of the top three spots in the conference meet."

America East Championship next on tap

Both indoor track teams will travel to Boston over the weekend to compete in the America East Championship. The meet will take place on the campus of Boston University. Last season, the women placed third in the conference, while the men were seventh.

2002-03 Schedule/Results

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