

# Bulldogs set personal bests

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The Truman State track and field teams had a big impact during their second outdoor meet of the season at the Central Methodist University Invitational Saturday.

Coming off another full week of practice in favorable weather, the men's and women's teams combined for more than 20 personal best marks in Fayette, Mo. as well as nine titles overall.

After a slow start to the season during their first meet of the spring, the women's team bounced back with a strong performance. Junior Becca Nelson, a national qualifier in the javelin throw her freshman year, placed first with a mark of 41.94. Competing in four events total, Nelson finished second in the high jump with a personal best 1.60 mark.

"It felt pretty good," Nelson said. "Nobody has peaked yet and there is definitely still room for improvement all across the board."

Rounding out the other winners from the women's side were junior Brittni Campbell in the 100-meter dash and senior Lisa Kucharski, who earned first in the 400-meter hurdles. The 4x800-meter relay team comprised of Kucharski, Campbell, freshmen Lauren Westen and Taylor Schulz placed first with a time of 9:55.57. Senior Dimonique McGruder took first in the shot with a mark of 13.28. As for the throwers, senior national indoor qualifier Rachel McCarroll won first in the hammer throw with a mark of 44.71.

"I feel like as a team we have transitioned well from indoor to outdoor," McCarroll said. "We are all feeling pretty good right now and are ready to go. I feel like the personal bests are going to be coming soon."

For the Truman team, many of the athletes said they have been focused not on what they can't control, but on trying to reach a new personal best mark at every meet.

"We don't have specific goals as a team," junior Andrew Sheets said. "I think we just all focus on coming away with personal bests every time and that usually puts everything into perspective."



Freshmen Lauren Westen, middle, and Taylor Schulz, left, and junior Becca Nelson, right, run sprints at practice earlier this week. The men's and women's teams combined for more than 20 personal bests last weekend in Fayette, Mo.

In the men's competition, senior sprinter Ryan Peterson earned first place in the 400-meter dash with a time of 48.47. Sheets just missed his personal best time in the 5000-meter run by two seconds but still won the event. While he acknowledged the competition was somewhat less than their latest meet, Sheets said he felt another full week of practice was important for the team.

"I think most people did better in this

meet," Sheets said. "The competition wasn't as good, and I think we have all benefited from a solid week of practice."

While the weather was warmer than the Bulldogs' last meet, Sheets said the wind played a factor throughout the day.

"I was pretty proud of that race in the end," Sheets said. "It was pretty windy conditions and it was nice to get that kind of grind-it-out win this early in the season."

Further emphasizing the theme of earning personal bests, junior Matt Wisniewski earned first in the hammer throw with a personal record of 50.89, and sophomore Zach Thomas finished second in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 54.42.

The Bulldogs' next meet is this weekend at the Jim Duncan Invitational in Des Moines, Iowa, hosted by Drake University.

## Top Bulldogs



Becca Nelson  
Women's track, junior

Nelson came home with three top finishes from the Central Methodist University Invitational in Fayette, Mo. Nelson finished first in the javelin with a throw of 41.94. She finished second in the high jump with a personal best height of 1.60 and finished third in the 100 meter hurdles.

# Mark your calendar

### Women's Tennis

9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Friday, April 12  
Topeka, Kan.

The women take on Fort Hays State University in the opener and Washburn University right after.

### Men's Tennis

2 p.m., Friday, April 12  
Topeka, Kan.

The men closed out March with two wins and look to continue winning against Washburn University.

### Track and Field

April 12-13  
Des Moines, Iowa

Bringing home nine titles from the last meet, the men and women compete in the Jim Duncan Invitational.

### Softball

2 and 4 p.m., Saturday, April 13  
St. Joseph, Mo.

After a record setting doubleheader, the team travels to take on Missouri Western State University.

### Golf

April 13-14  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Five days after an invitational, the women travel back to Iowa golfing in the Mount Mercy Spring Classic.

### Softball

12 and 2 p.m., Sunday, April 14  
Maryville, Mo.

After a doubleheader in St. Joseph, the women travel up to take on Northwest Missouri State University.

### Softball

11 a.m., Tuesday, April 16  
Kirksville, Mo.

Coming off a four game road trip in northwest Missouri, the women host Nebraska-Kearney University.

### Baseball

1 and 3 p.m., Wednesday, April 17  
Bulldog Baseball Park

Following a week off from games, the Bulldogs host MIAA rival University of Central Missouri.

See all the results of last week's games online at <http://tmn.truman.edu/theindex>

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