

Arizona Wildcats Track & Field Weekly Release - Jan. 12, 2012

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ARIZONA ATHLETIC MEDIA RELATIONS

Student Asst. SID Sean Collins 6collins@email.arizona.edu P: 520-621-4163/C: 520-904-9360 **ArizonaWildcats.com** Lumberjack Invitational Northern Arizona U. Jan. 14, 2012 Flagstaff, Ariz.

The Event: The Arizona Wildcats No. 9 men's and No. 10 women's track and field teams will open the 2012 indoor season with the Lumberjack Invitational on Jan. 14. Held at Northern Arizona's J.L. Walkup Skydome, the field events start at 9 a.m., the running preliminaries start at 10 a.m. The running finals start time has yet to be determined.

The Coverage: A complete recap and results will be available at ArizonaWildcats.com after the meet is complete.

The Field: Along with Arizona, Arizona State, Northern Arizona, New Mexico, Grand Canyon, Southern Utah and Cal-State Bakersfield will be competing on Saturday.

The Polls: In the 2012 USTFCCCA preseason national poll, the Arizona men are ranked ninth and the women are ranked No. 10. The Northern Arizona men sit at No. 25 and the Arizona State women are ranked at the No. 16 spot.

Hello, again: The UA women return three All-Americans from the team that took second place at the MPSF Championships and seventh at the NCAA Championships. Two of those All-Americans happen to be NCAA Champions. Sophomore Baillie Gibson earned her All-America status in the shot put. Junior Julie Labonté was the NCAA Champion in the shot put and junior Brigetta Barrett was the high jump champion.

On the men's side, Arizona welcomes back seven Indoor All-Americans from the team that finished second at the MPSF Championships and 13th at the NCAA Championships. The distance medley relay team, consisting of sophomore Sean Delfani, junior James Eichberger, senior Abdi Hassan and sophomore Lawi Lalang. Lalang also earned All-America honors in the 3,000-meter run. Senior Stephen Sambu, junior Nick Ross and junior Edgar Rivera-Morales also earned All-America accolades.

Indoor Schedule

Date	Event	Location
1/14/12	Lumberjack Invitational	Flagstaff, Ariz.
1/27-28/12	Razorback Invitational	Fayetteville, Ark.
1/27-28/12	Washington Invitational	Seattle, Wash.
2/3-4/12	New Mexico Classic	Albuquerque, N.M.
2/10-11/12	Boise State Team Challenge	Boise, Idaho
2/10-11/12	Husky Classic	Seattle, Wash.
2/24-25/12	MPSF Championships	eattle, Wash.
3/3/12	Iowa State NCAA Qualifier	Ames, Iowa
3/9-10/12	NCAA Championships	Boise, Idaho





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The Grand Canyon State: The Wildcats 2012 roster features 23 student-athletes from the state of Arizona.

The Coaching Staff: Head coach Fred Harvey returns for his 10th season at the reigns of the Arizona track and field program. Associate head coache James Li (middle distance/distance) enters his 10th season at Arizona. Sheldon Blockburger (jumps/combined events) is in his seventh year. Craig Carter (throws) returns for his sixth season. Francesca Green enters her third year as the sprints coach and assistant relays coach, she previously held the title of Director of Operations for four seasons. Erin Dawson (middle distance/distance) will start her fourth season at Arizona. Dawn Boxley (Director of Operations) is beginning her 15th year at Arizona.

Fresh Faces: Head coach Fred Harvey and his staff have brought in 13 new men and 16 new women for the 2012 season.

A Look Back at 2011: The women's squad earned a runner-up finish at the MPSF Championships and a seventh-place finish at the NCAA Championships. On the men's side, the squad finished second at the MPSF Championships and 13th at the NCAA Championships.

2012 ARIZONA TRACK AND FIELD ROSTER

Men				
Name	Event	Ht.	XC/In/Out	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
Bozidar Antunovic	Throws	6-6	X/SO/SO	Indjija, Serbia (Śremska Mitrovica)
Kenji Bierig	Distance	6-0	FR/FR/FR	Spokane, Wash. (Lewis & Clark HS)
Sergio Carrillo	Sprints	6-0	X/SO/JR	Culiacan, Mexico (Salpointe Catholic HS/Pima C.C.)
Keegan Cooke	Combined Events	6-2	X/SO/SO	Harare, Zimbabwe
				(Celebration Learning Center/Orange Coast College)
Jovon Cunningham	Jumps	6-0	X/FR/FR	Redding, Calif. (Enterprise HS)
Sean Delfani	Sprints	6-3	X/SO/SO	Concord, Calif. (Las Lomas HS)
James Eichberger	Middle Distance	5-9	JR/JR/JR	Green Brae, Calif. (Catalina HS)
Cameron Foreman	Distance	5-6	FR/FR/FR	Georgetown, Texas (Georgetown HS)
Eli Foy	Jumps	6-2	X/FR/FR	St. John, USVI (Rincon (Ariz.)
Siraaj Ghori	Sprints	6-3	X/FR/FR	Tucson, Ariz. (Catalina Foothills HS)
Abdi Hassan	Middle Distance	5-11	SR/SR/SR	Mogadishu, Somalia (Nathan Hale HS)
Harrison Ivie	Jumps	6-1	X/FR/FR	St. Louis, Mo. (St. Louis Country Day)
Kevin Jani	Middle Distance	6-3	X/JR/JR	Campbell, Calif. (Branham HS)
Tyler Johnson	Throws	6-1	X/JR/JR	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman HS)
Lawi Lalang	Distance	5-9	FR/SO/SO	Eldoret, Kenya (Emining)
Clifton Leake	Hurdles	6-0	X/JR/JR	Dallas, Texas (Lake Highlands HS/Missouri)
Sam Macaluso	Distance	5-10	FR/FR/FR	West Windsor, N.J.
				(West Windsor-Plainsboro South HS/Syracuse)
Chris McGovern	Combined Events	6-0	X/SR/SR	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington HS)
Darien McKinley	Sprints	6-0	X/SO/SO	Anthem, Ariz. (Boulder Creek HS)
Rory McLeod	Distance	6-3	JR/SO/SO	Santa Rosa, Calif. (Santa Rosa HS)
Chris McSwain	Sprints	6-0	X/JR/JR	Las Vegas, Nev. (Mojave HS)
Thomas Moronta	Sprints	5-7	X/FR/FR	Gilbert, Ariz. (Higley HS)
Davis Rajs	Middle Distance	6-0	X/SO/SO	Pleasanton, Calif. (Foothill HS)
Noe Ramirez	Distance	5-10	SO/SO/SO	Murrieta, Calif. (Vista Murrieta HS)
Armand Rhone	Sprints	6-1	X/JR/JR	Chicago, Ill. (De La Salle Institute)
Edgar Rivera-Morales	Jumps	6-6	X/JR/JR	Agua Prieta, Mexico
				(Centro De Bachillerato Tecnologico y de Servicio)
Nick Ross	Jumps	6-2	X/JR/JR	Murrieta, Calif. Vista (Murrieta HS)
Stephen Sambu	Distance	5-8	SR/SR/SR	Eldoret, Kenya (Biwott/Rend Lake College)
Julian Samuels	Sprints	5-6	X/FR/FR	Camas, Wash. (Camas HS)
Dylan Souza	Distance	5-6	FR/FR/FR	Tucson, Ariz. (Catalina Foothills HS)
Justin Sutter	Jumps	5-11	X/JR/JR	Granite Bay, Calif. (Granite Bay HS)
Elliot Taylor	Sprints	5-10	X/SR/SR	Spring Valley, Calif. (Mt. Miguel HS/Southwestern College)
Lezo Urreiztieta	Hurdles	6-1	X/FR/FR	Tucson, Ariz. (Canyon Del Oro HS)
Thomas Valente	Distance	5-10	FR/FR/FR	San Diego, Calif. (Cathedral Catholic HS)
Patrick Zacharias	Distance	6-5	SO/SO/SO	Albuquerque, N.M. (Albuquerque Academy)





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Women				
Name	Event	Ht.	XC/In/Out	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
Elizabeth Apgar	Middle Distance	5-5	JR/JR/JR	San Diego, Calif. (Abraham Lincoln HS)
Brigetta Barrett	High Jump	6-0	X/JR/JR	Wappingers Falls, N.Y. (Duncanville HS [Texas])
Gretchen Bartz	Jumps	5-10	X/FR/FR	Tucson, Ariz. (Mountain View HS)
Jen Bergman	Distance	5-3	JR/JR/JR	San Jose, Calif. (Valley Christian HS)
Echos Blevins	Sprints	5-7	X/SR/SR	Phoenix, Ariz. (South Mountain HS)
Stephanie Bulder	Distance	5-6	FR/FR/FR	Saugus, Calif. (Saugus HS)
Daylee Burr	Distance	5-6	FR/FR/FR	Phoenix, Ariz. (Xavier College Preparatory)
Taylor Bush	Throws	5-6	X/SR/SR	Santa Clara, Calif. (Archbishop Mitty HS)
Molly Callahan	Distance	5-3	FR/FR/FR	Fairbanks, Ala. (West Valley HS)
Taylor Cole	Sprints	5-10	X/FR/FR	Chandler, Ariz. (Hamilton HS)
Ariel Coleman	Hurdles	5-8	X/JR/SR	Rockwall, Texas (Rockwall HS)
Nicci Corbin	Distance	5-4	FR/FR/FR	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.(Tesoro HS)
Asia Easley	Javelin	5-7	X/X/JR	Phoenix, Ariz. (Apollo HS)
Clea Formaz	Distance	5-7	FR/FR/FR	Pfaffikon, Switzerland (STV Pfaffikon-Freienbach)
Taylor Freeman	Throws	5-10	X/JR/JR	Iowa City, Iowa (West HS)
Liana Fuentes	Combined Events	5-9	X/SR/SR	Cypress, Calif. (Cypress HS/Orange Coast College)
Shale' Garland	Sprints	5-8	X/JR/JR	Los Angeles, Calif. (Inglewood HS/El Camino C.C.)
Baillie Gibson	Throws	5-9	X/SO/SO	Casper, Wyo. (Natrona County HS)
Jasmine Hall	Combined Events	5-9	X/FR/FR	Santa Clarita, Calif. (Valencia HS)
Alyssa Hasslen	Throws	5-11	X/JR/JR	Sheridan, Ore. (McMinnville HS)
Hanna Henson	Distance	5-1	SR/SR/JR	Tucson, Ariz. (Rio Rico HS)
Kat Howard	Distance	5-4	JR/JR/JR	Tucson, Ariz. (Ironwood Ridge High School)
Elvin Kibet	Distance	5-1	SO/SO/SO	Eldoret, Kenya (Moi Girls HS)
Julie Labonté	Throws	6-0	X/JR/JR	Sainte-Justine, Québec (Polyvalente des Appalaches)
Dahlys Marshall	Hurdles	5-5	X/SR/SR	San Jose, Calif. (Valley Christian HS)
Shakayla McEaddy	Combined Events	5-10	X/FR/FR	Tucson, Ariz. (Catalina Foothills HS)
Melanie McGrath	Distance	5-8	SO/JR/JR	Tucson, Ariz. (Catalina HS)
Andrea Menhennet	Sprints	5-6	X/JR/JR	Anthem, Ariz. (Mountain Ridge HS)
Erin Menefee	Distance	5-4	SO/SO/SO	San Diego, Calif. (Mount Carmel HS)
Megan Meyer	Distance	5-3	JR/JR/JR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Tesoro HS)
Georganne Moline	Hurdles	5-9	X/SR/JR	Phoenix, Ariz. (Thunderbird HS)
Amber Passalaqua	Combined Events	5-7	X/SO/SO	Pine Bush, N.Y. (Pine Bush HS/Syracuse)
Kate Penney	Distance	5-6	FR/FR/FR	Phoenix, Ariz. (Xavier College Prep)
Hanna Peterson	Distance	5-0	FR/FR/FR	Riverside, Calif. (Martin Luther King Jr. HS)
Germe Poston	Sprints	5-4	X/SO/SO	Tacoma, Wash. (Franklin Pierce HS)
Tamara Pridgett	Sprints	5-8	X/SO/SO	Tucson, Ariz. (Rincon HS)
Shapri Romero	Sprints	5-2	X/SO/SO	Phoenix, Ariz. (St. Mary's High School)
Amanda Russell	Distance	5-4	SO/SO/SO	Cedar Park, Texas (Vista Ridge HS)
Haley Stenquist	Distance	5-9	FR/FR/FR	Tucson, Ariz. (Sabino HS)
Omotayo Talabi	Throws	5-11	X/JR/JR	Chandler, Ariz. (Chandler HS)
Azia Walker	Sprints	5-7	X/FR/FR	Lakewood, Calif. (Long Beach Poly HS)
Alex Weatherly	Pole Vault	5-7	X/SO/SO	Phoenix, Ariz. (Desert Vista HS)
Fendi Williams	Sprints	5-8	X/JR/JR	Phoenix, Ariz. (South Mountain HS)

Coaches

Fred Harvey, Director of Cross Country/Track & Field (Hurdles)
James Li, Associate Head Coach (Middle Distance/Distance)
Sheldon Blockburger, Assistant Coach (Jumps, Combined Events)
Craig Carter, Assistant Coach (Throws)
Francesca Green, Assistant Coach (Sprints, Relays)
Erin Dawson, Assistant Coach (Middle Distance/Distance)
Dawn Boxley, Director of Operations
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