

UM men tied for lead after first day

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POCATELLO, Idaho – A strong opening day on Friday has University of Montana men's and women's track teams poised for their best finishes in years at the Big Sky Conference indoor championships at Idaho State's Holt Arena.

The Grizzly men, whose best finishes indoors were third places in 1982 and 1993, are tied for the lead with defending champion Weber State with 44 points. Montana State is in third with 40.

The women, who tied for second in 1989 but haven't cracked the top three since '94, are in second with 34 points, one behind Weber State and one ahead of Northern Arizona. Defending champion Montana State holds a commanding lead with 61.

The bulk of the finals are set for Saturday, when action starts at 10:30 a.m.

"We had more points than we were expecting after the first

day," UM coach Tom Raunig said of the men's team, which was paced by strong individual performances by sophomore Dan Casey and senior Bryan Anderson.

Casey, from Helena, and Anderson, from Whitefish shared first place in the high jump. Both cleared 6-feet, 10½ inches.

"They did a good job of keeping each other fired up," said Raunig. "They did a good job of stepping up to the competition."

Ted Cordeiro of Cascade, the Big Sky leader in the weight throw during the season, finished fifth. But teammate B.J. McKay of Polson placed fourth, so Montana netted nine points out of the event. Montana State throwers dominated, placing 1-2-3. Zach Jones won, Blake Jackson was second and Shaun Ross of Stevensville was third.

UM's Trevor Gunlock place fourth in long jump with a leap of 23-8½, and the distance medley relay team from

Montana finished a surprise second behind Weber State.

Anderson tied for the second-fastest time in the men's 55 hurdles preliminaries. Aaron Buckendorf was third in the 400 preliminaries.

On the women's side, junior Renee Dunn placed second and freshman Shannon Selby was fifth in the long jump. Dunn, of La Center, Wash., leaped 18-10¼, a mark that led until Montana State's Lacy Hinzpeter closed out the event with a jump of 19-9¼.

"Renee probably had a bigger jump in her, but she couldn't get it on the board," Raunig said.

MEN

Team scores (through five finals): Montana 44, Weber State 44, Montana State 40, Northern Arizona 32, Idaho State 12, Eastern Washington 10, Portland State 9, Sacramento State 4.

5,000 – 1, Jeremy Tolman, WSU, 14:32.37; 2, Juan Miramontes, NAU, 14:35.23; 3, Travis Laird, NAU, 14:35.75; 4, Lyle Weese, MSU, 14:43.75; 5, Juwan Nuvayokva, NAU, 14:44.66; 6, Bruno Mazzotta, NAU, 14:51.88; 7, Corbin Talley, WSU, 14:51.94; 8, Seth Watkins, NAU, 14:51.99.

Distance medley relay – 1, Weber State 10:03.40; 2, Montana 10:07.78; 3, Montana State 10:08.26; 4, Idaho State 10:10.21; 5, Sacramento State 10:15.49; 6, Northern Arizona 10:24.08; 7, Eastern Washington 10:31.87; 8, Portland State 10:42.55.

Weight throw – 1, Zach Jones, MSU, 59-6½; 2,

Black Jackson, MSU, 58-3; 3, Shaun Ross, MSU, 58-¼; 4, B.J. McKay, UM, 56-1½; 5, Ted Cordeiro, UM, 56-0; 6, Ty Weingard, EWU, 54-11; 7, Ben Snyder, EWU, 54-1.

High jump – 1, (tie) Bryan Anderson, UM, and Dan Casey, UM, 6-10½; 3, Wiley King, WSU, 6-9½; 4, Travis Hand, MSU, 6-8½; 5, Remi Stangret, NAU, 6-7; 6, Clint Butler, WSU, 6-7; 7, Bryce Bergen, WSU, 6-5; 8, Danny Reynoso, NAU, 6-5. Long jump – 1, Wiley King, WSU, 24-5; 2, Ryan Brown, PSU, 24-2½; 3, Dan Lai, ISU, 24-1½; 4, Trevor Gunlock, UM, 23-8½; 5, Louis Patrick, UM, 23-8½; 6, Justin Drake, EWU, 23-7½; 7, Clarence Moore, NAU, 22-11½; 8, Adam Matthews, ISU, 22-1½.

WOMEN

Team scores (through five finals): Montana State 61, Weber State 34, Montana 33, Northern Arizona 32, Idaho State 18, Eastern Washington 8, Portland State 7, Sacramento State 2.

5,000 – 1, Susie Rutherford, NAU, 17:02.27; 2, Rebecca Bennion, WSU, 17:24.21; 3, Heidi Colpitts, MSU, 17:37.36; 4, Cynthia Loase, WSU, 17:46.57; 5, Julie Ham, UM, 17:52.23; 6, Ariana Lee, MSU, 17:55.62; 7, Jessica Winters, WSU, 17:56.30; 8, Jamie Herman, NAU, 18:04.86.

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Shot put – 1, Maureen Griffin, ISU, 47-7½; 2, Hailee Pickett, NAU, 46-1½; 3, Jennifer Allen, MSU, 45-1½; 4, Vanessa Wynne, WSU, 44-11½; 5, Chrissy McKinstry, MSU, 44-1; 6, Katie Jacobson, EWU, 43-11; 7, Carla Grey, MSU, 43-10½; 8, Jennifer Kowacz, NAU, 43-8½.

Long jump – 1, Lacy Hinzpeter, MSU, 19-9¼; 2, Renee Dunn, UM, 18-10½; 3, Keisha Harvey, PSU, 18-8½; 4, Terri Lorenz, WSU, 18-¼; 5, Shannon Selby, UM, 17-10½; 6, Cassie Nollmeyer, MSU, 17-10½; 7, Liza Cortez, NAU, 17-9; 8, Nina Madsen, WSU, 17-8½.

Pole vault – 1, Corney Ellis, MSU, 19-9½; 2, Michelle Tronstad, MSU, 12-5½; 3, Nicole Zeller, UM, 12-5½; 4, Shannon Jones, MSU, 12-1½; 5, Suzanne Krings, UM, 12-1½; 6, Michelle Railsback, ISU, 11-7½; 7, Emily Roberts, EWU, 11-7½; 8, Sarah Lenoch, UM, 11-7½.

MEN

Final team scores: Weber State 170½, Northern Arizona 138, Montana 100, Montana State 85½, Idaho State 46, Eastern Washington 34, Sacramento State 29, Portland State 21

Saturday's finals

55 – 1, Jonathan Davis, Sac, 6.33; 2, Jimmy Satterm, PSU, 6.41; 3, Louis Patrick, UM, 6.41; 4, Wiley King, WSU, 6.42; 5, Josh Artis, EWU, 6.45; 6, Jamaal Peterson, WSU, 6.50; 7, Dan Lai, ISU, 6.51; 8, Andre Gittens, PSU, 7.32.

200 – 1, Landon Benson, NAU, 21.63; 2, Vytautas Kancleris, NAU, 21.89; 3, Jeff Tingey, WSU, 21.94; 4, Jerome Milner, WSU, 22.08; 5, Clarence Moore, NAU, 22.24; 6, Dan Lai, ISU, 22.32; 7, David Shaw, NAU, 22.38; 8, Todd Grunander, WSU, 22.42.

400 – 1, Todd Grunander, WSU, 47.91; 2, Jerome Milner, WSU, 48.08; 3, Jeff Tingey, WSU, 48.59; 4, Arie Grey, MSU, 48.92; 5, Branko Teodorovic, ISU, 49.15; 6, Aaron Buckendorf, UM, 49.49; 7, Anthony Robinson, PSU, 49.12; 8, David Stoddard, EWU, 55.17.

800 – 1, Trent Hooper, WSU, 1:51.71; 2, Joel Atwater, WSU, 1:53.45; 3, Nicholas Green, MSU, 1:54.53; 4, Skyler Perry, UM, 1:56.08; 5, Eric Coats, WSU, 1:57.03; 6, Travis Townsend, NAU, 1:57.63; 7, Paul Hoffman, ISU, 1:58.13; 8, Casey Kellogg, EWU, 1:58.17.

Mile – 1, Jeremy Tolman, WSU, 4:11.93; 2, Joel Atwater, WSU, 4:12.84; 3, Scott McGowan, UM, 4:13.97; 4, Henrik Ahnstrom, NAU, 4:14.04; 5, Paul Hoffman, ISU, 4:14.22; 6, Travis Ricks, ISU, 4:17.51; 7, Bruno Mazzotta, NAU, 4:18.41; 8, Tyler Williams, NAU, 4:20.58.

3,000 – 1, Jeremy Tolman, WSU, 8:19.83; 2, Lyle Weese, MSU, 8:19.85; 3, Travis Laird, NAU, 8:22.42; 4, Juan Pab Miramontes, NAU, 8:24.32; 5, Bruno Mazzotta, NAU, 8:28.24; 6, Henrik Ahnstrom, NAU, 8:31.92; 7, Corbin Talley, WSU, 8:32.72; 8, Seth Watkins, NAU, 8:34.56.

55 hurdles – 1, Vytautas Kancleris, NAU, 7.55; 2, Bryan Anderson, UM, 7.58; 3, Bubba Edmonds, NAU, 7.62; 4, Adam Bork, UM, 7.72; 5, Remi Stangret, NAU, 7.85; 6, Jamaal Peterson, WSU, 7.86; 7, Wiley King, WSU, 7.97; 8, Kyle Gaerte, WSU, 8.05.

Mile relay – 1, Weber State 3:14.48; 2, Northern Arizona 3:15.78; 3, Montana 3:16.22; 4, Sacramento State 3:17.50; 5, Idaho State 3:18.14; 6, Montana State 3:21.02; 7, Eastern Washington 3:23.28; 8, Portland State 3:24.62.

Shot put – 1, Blake Jackson, MSU, 55-7¼; 2, Ty Weingard, EWU, 55-7; 3, Jeremy Hoff, NAU, 55-5¼; 4, Jake Holbert, WSU, 53-8; 5, Matt Drinkwater, UM, 51-1; 6, Ben Snyder, EWU, 51-0; 7, Shaun Ross, MSU, 50-3; 8, B.J. McKay, UM, 49-11¼.

Triple jump – 1, Clarence Moore, NAU, 48-11¼; 2, Cyril Burguiere, MSU, 48-7½; 3, Jay Coles, Sac, 46-6; 4, Shawn Patrick, UM, 45-2½; 5, Keith Mickey, Sac, 44-11½; 6, Danny Helzer, NAU, 44-9; 7, Ben Allen, 44-7¼; 8, John Hartsog, UM, 42-10.

Pole vault – 1, Paul Litchfield, ISU, 17-¾; 2, Jeff Day, WSU, 16-8¼; 3, Adam Bork, UM, 16-4¼; 4, Mike Erickson, EWU, 15-5½; 5, (tie) Bryan Kreitzberg, MSU, and Cameron Abel, NAU, 14-11½; 7, (tie) Jason Murray, WSU, and Matt Axford, NAU, 14-5½.

Track athlete of the meet: Jeremy Tolman, Weber State

Field athlete of the meet: Wiley King, Weber State

WOMEN

Final team scores: Weber State 159, Montana State 140, Idaho State 96, Northern Arizona 93, Montana 57, Portland State 38, Eastern Washington 26, Sacramento State 14.

Saturday's finals

55 – 1, Misty McConnell, WSU, 7.01; 2, Alena Munger, ISU, 7.06; 3, Kim Van Beekum, WSU, 7.14; 4, Nina Madsen, WSU, 7.22; 5, Kerine Harvey, PSU, 7.22; 6, Colby Foxley, WSU, 7.26; 7, Lacy Hinzpeter, MSU, 7.27; 8, Ena Shemi, PSU, 7.28.

200 – 1, Selena Frazier, ISU, 24.03; 2, Lacy Hinzpeter, MSU, 24.21; 3, Alena Munger, ISU, 24.77; 4, Carrie Damschen, MSU, 24.81; 5, Misty McConnell, WSU, 24.87; 6, Liza Conteh, NAU, 25.22; 7, Kristina McKinley, WSU, 25.31; 8, Kim Van Beekum, WSU, 25.63.

400 – 1, Lacy Hinzpeter, MSU, 54.05; 2, Selena Frazier, ISU, 54.39; 3, Carrie Damschen, MSU, 55.11; 4, Naomi Sutton, NAU, 57.53; 5, Annie Davies, WSU, 57.53; 6, Jackie Poulson, ISU, 57.67; 7, Jayni Larsen, WSU, 58.25; 8, Chelsy Webb, WSU, 58.33.

800 – 1, Angie Beebe, WSU, 2:10.53; 2, Allison Adams, WSU, 2:11.25; 3, Stephanie Hansen, WSU, 2:11.44; 4, Mattië Mulick, ISU, 2:13.75; 5, Jamie Marek, WSU, 2:14.96; 6, Caitlin Prunty, EWU, 2:16.04; 7, Lisa Harrison, EWU, 2:16.26; 8, Ashley Tucker, ISU, 2:19.32.

Mile – 1, Ida Nilsson, NAU, 4:53.58; 2, Susie Rutherford, NAU, 4:53.83; 3, Heidi Bouwhuis, WSU, 5:03.34; 4, Ashley Winter, WSU, 5:04.25; 5, Kelly Rice, UM, 5:05.32; 6, Daniela Fleischman, ISU, 5:05.77; 7, Erika Edwards, NAU, 5:07.60; 8, Rachel Bennion, WSU, 5:10.65.

3,000 – 1, Ida Nilsson, NAU, 9:56.08; 2, Susie Rutherford, NAU, 10:02.81; 3, Rebecca Bennion, WSU, 10:05.42; 4, Heidi Colpitts, MSU, 10:10.76; 5, Ashley Winter, WSU, 10:13.41; 6, Heidi Bouwhuis, WSU, 10:14.08; 7, Erika Edwards, NAU, 10:15.05; 8, Cynthia Losee, WSU, 10:17.79.

55 hurdles – 1, Trisha Blair, NAU, 8.04; 2, Lisa Svaleson, MSU, 8.04; 3, Kristina McKinley, WSU, 8.15; 4, Cecilee Day, WSU, 8.24; 5, Colby Foxley, WSU, 8.31; 6, Erin Jones, MSU, 8.44; 7, Suzanne Krings, UM, 8.51; 8, Carrie Damschen, MSU, 8.54.

Mile relay – 1, Weber State 3:44.25; 2, Idaho State 3:45.43; 3, Montana State 3:50.78; 4, Montana 3:52.56; 5, Eastern Washington 3:57.58; 6, Northern Arizona 3:59.68; 7, Sacramento State 4:02.66.

Triple jump – 1, Kiesha Harvey, PSU, 40-3; 2, Kim Scott, ISU, 39-4¼; 3, Kerine Harvey, PSU, 39-½; 4, Anne Sheehy, UM, 38-0; 5, Heidi Poppelreiter, Sac, 37-6½; 6, Sandra Shattuck, EWU, 37-2¼; 7, Renee Dunn, UM, 36-9¼; 8, Cassie Nollmeyer, MSU, 36-2.

High jump – 1, Lisa Gunderson, PSU, 5-7¼; 2, Jennifer Doely, MSU, 5-6; 3, Lanette Noble, WSU, 5-6; 4, Jackie Poulson, ISU, 5-3; 5, Lindsay Crawford, UM, 5-3; 6, (tie) Sandra Butler, Sac, Cristina Fannesbeck, WSU, and Anne Sheehy, UM, 5-3.

Weight throw – 1, Maureen Griffin, ISU, 62-½; 2, Chrissy McKinstry, MSU, 58-3; 3, Jaime Martin, EWU, 57-4½; 4, Jennifer Allen, MSU, 57-2; 5, Windi Selle, Sac, 53-1½; 6, Rachel Squires, ISU, 51-5; 7, Lisa Lord, MSU, 51-1; 8, Melissa Rohrer, MSU, 50-2.

Track athlete of the meet: Ida Nilsson, Northern Arizona

Field athlete of the meet: Maureen Griffin, Idaho State