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Basketball Club earns first win

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The Scarlet Hawks Club Basketball team traveled to Truman College seeking their first win of the season and that is exactly what they got. The two teams faced each other back in January and Truman came out victorious winning by 22 points.

The Hawks have continuously been working on their game play as well as improving their ability to work as a team. As this is the first season of club basketball at IIT, most of the players are just getting to know one another and most haven't played since High school or for any type of team. This is, in part, the reason to the slow start of the season.

Now that the team has gotten to know one another, they have been able to work together on the court. The win this past weekend is a testament to what the team is capable of. The leading scorer was Julio Dominguez with 16 points in the 73-67 win over Truman College. Along with improvement to their

scoring, the Hawks defense was an important factor in the win. They were able to hold the opposing team, who had 99 points in their first meeting, to under 70 points and come out victorious.

After the game, Coach and Player Trevor Townsend commented on the performance of the team: "I think the team played its best ball yet, though it wasn't perfect. We still have to make more of our free throws, limit turnovers and get offensive rebounds. We had the best post position performance thus far with all three of our post players scoring 12pts or more this game. The bench played well as they brought us back in the second half to tie the game. All the players stepped up in the end providing big time rebounds and stops. Over all I was proud of the performance and as long as we keep getting better I don't see us losing too many (more) games." With 3 games left on the schedule, the Hawks hope to break even and end with a .500 season. And if they continue to play games like Saturday's, it is likely that they will do just that.

Indoor Track and Field qualify for Nationals at UW-Parkside

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In the Scarlet Hawks' fourth Indoor Track and Field meet of the season, a member of both the women's and men's teams hit the 'B' standard for Indoor Nationals. Freshman Abby Jahn and sophomore Phil Cano qualified in the 1000 meter race, and are the first to qualify for the team.

The women's field team competed well, with freshman Whitney Theisen tying for 2nd in the High Jump (1.50m) and taking fourth in the Triple Jump (9.89m).

Junior Natalie Mitrovic also jumped a personal record 4.19 meters in the Long Jump, and recorded a 9.26m mark in the Shot Put. In the sprinting events, junior Veronica Hannink led the way with a 9.92 second 55m Hurdle time, and a personal record time of 29.50s in the 200m dash. Following her in the 200m were freshman Hailey Kunkel (30.59s) and junior Alex Songer (33.09s), both of which also ran the 55m

dash in 8.43s and 8.89s respectively. Senior Emily Kraemer ran a new personal record in the 400m dash with a time of 68.38 seconds.

Three Lady Hawks competed in both the Mile and 800m events, a challenging double to do. Junior Claudia Garcia came out on top for both, with personal records of 5:48.41 in the mile and 2:37.52 in the 800m. Junior Kira Vincent (5:53.01, 2:45.03) and freshman Anne Crotteau (5:54.89 PR, 2:47.35) followed behind, also having strong races.

In the 600m dash, a rare event to see, sophomore Jordan Kelch placed 1st with a time of 1:43.91, not far off of the national qualifying time. Freshman Abby Jahn trailed with a time of 1:53.26, but won the 1000m race with a personal record and national qualifying time of 3:02.71.

In the 3000m race, freshman Courtney Rouse took 3rd and narrowly missed qualifying for nationals with a personal record time of 10:36.40. Senior Erin Vincent also ran the 3k, with a time of 12:16.62. The final event for the ladies was the 4x400m relay, run in 4:45.73

by Kraemer, Garcia, Crotteau, and K. Vincent.

The men's team also had a successful night, taking in a few honors. Freshman Tyler Haag started off his season well with a 7.17 second 55m dash and a school record 200m dash of 25.04 seconds.

Junior Kevin Logan was right on his heels, recording a 7.21s in the 55m and a personal record 25.58s in the 200m. Junior Izzy Radzik competed in the Long Jump, recording 4.62 meters, and the Shot Put, with a personal record of 8.01 meters.

In the 3000m event, senior Phil Theisen ran a huge personal and school record in a time of 9:11.58, followed by sophomore Andrew Montague (9:44.02), freshman Sam Wietlispach (9:49.90 PR), junior Peter Lau (10:37.77 PR), sophomore John Pasowicz (10:44.09 PR), freshman Jeff Somerfield (10:54.14 PR), and junior Felipe Prada (10:58.62 PR). In the 1000m race, sophomore Phil Cano finished 2nd with a personal and school record national qualifying time of 2:32.93, followed by junior Ethan Montague in

3rd (2:40.84 PR) and Theisen in 4th (2:41.99). In the Mile, senior Kenny Murphy led the team in a time of 4:41.33, with junior Zach Gates not far off in 4:52.37, and freshman Kraig Van Wieringen and junior Brian Lyles battling it out with times of 5:04.38 and 5:06.40 respectively. In the 600m dash, Cano led the pack again, winning the event in a time of 1:25.90. Trailing him were senior Wes Villalobos (1:28.74) and Van Wieringen (1:35.63). Ethan Montague ran a solid 800m race, clocking a 2:03.41, just ahead of Murphy (2:05.16) and followed by freshman Colin McQuone (2:13.86).

The men's 4x400m relay competed well despite some mid-meet adjustments, with Villalobos, E. Montague, Van Wieringen, and Gates running a composite of 3:46.91. The Distance Medley Relay, made up of A. Montague, McQuone, E. Montague, and Wietlispach, ran a 1st place time of 11:16.41, a season record.

The Hawks' next Indoor Track and Field meet will be Friday (women) and Saturday (men) on February 10th and 11th at North Central College in Naperville, IL.

Pool record set by Hawks relay



Photo by Melanie Koto

By Melanie Koto SPORTS EDITOR

With just two weeks left in their regular season, the Scarlet Hawks swimming and diving team headed to Lake Forest, IL to compete against the Foresters of Lake Forest College. Per tradition, the seniors generated the meet lineup, making for some interesting races. Despite the wackiness, both teams still had some awesome performances. Starting off the meet on the right foot the men's 200 meter medley relay (senior Carlos Tejero, junior Eric Grunden, sophomore Michael Bodzay and senior Max Ramminger) won the event with a time of 1:49.24, resetting the pool record. In the 800 meter freestyle, sophomore Abby Maze finished 2nd (11:12.98) and freshman Igor Gryniv finished 3rd (11:14.48) for the men's team. Sophomore Yoni Pruzansky finished 2nd for the Hawks in the 200 meter freestyle (2:02.51) while Ramminger took 5th (2:24.33). In the 50 meter freestyle seniors Andrea Zuniga and Morgan Curran took 2nd and 3rd (30.65 and 30.70 respectively), while Tejero took 1st for the men's team (24.81) and senior Tomasz Chojnacki took 3rd (26.62) and senior Ryan Tapak took 4th (27.07). Sophomore Felipe Bergh got out touched for 1st in a very close race in the 200 meter IM (2:22.04), while freshman Dan Sommerfeld finished 4th (2.34.13).

Senior Jeff Reilly had an excellent meet on both the 1 meter and 3 meter boards for diving finished 2nd on both boards with scores of 224.50 and 235.10 respectively. Both scores were personal lifetime bests and were just short of National Qualifying scores.

Freshman Dane Christianson came in 3rd on the 1 meter board with a score of 163.10, also a personal best. In the 100 meter butterfly Bodzay finished 2nd for the men's team (59.83) and junior Matthew Rosenfeld finished 5th (1:09.30), while senior Melanie Koto finished 2nd in the women's 100 meter freestyle (1:04.89) and freshman Billy Bafia finished 4th in the men's event (59.72)

Athlete Spotlight: Wes Villalobos

Name:

Wes Villalobos

Year:
Senior

Major:

Aerospace/Mechanical Engineering

Double Major

Sport:

Track and Field

Event(s):

• 400m, 800m, 1500m

Favorite thing about your sport: The competition and my team.

What you like best about the fans

at your meets:

We don't get very many fans, but
when they show up and cheer a lot.

Favorite thing to do on Campus: Hang out with my friends.

• Best tip for anyone who wants to be great at your sport:

Work hard, play hard. Have fun with what you do. (napping and eating a lot help too!)

and senior Dylan Maus finished 5th (59.98). Tejero took another 1st in the 100 meter backstroke finishing with a time of 1:00.01 and Gryniv took 5th in the event (1:20.56).