

GRIEWISCH EARNS ALL-AMERICAN HONORS

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Lenoir-Rhyne University's Kate Griewisch finished sixth out of 18 runners in the women's 10,000-meter run to earn All-American honors at the 2011 NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field National Championships Thursday night in Turlock, Calif.

Griewisch, a junior from Banner Elk, N.C., ran a school-record 34:21.53 at the Al Brenda Track at Warrior Stadium on the campus of California State Stanislaus.

Western Washington's Sarah Porter won the event and claimed the national championship with a meet-record 33:17.19.

Griewisch was competing in the 10K at the outdoor finals for the second consecutive year. In 2010, Griewisch placed ninth overall and missed All-American honors by one spot at the national championship in Charlotte, N.C.

Griewisch also became the first Lenoir-Rhyne male or female athlete in school history to garner All-American accolades in track and field.

This marks the third All-American recognition for Griewisch in her collegiate career as she earned AA honors twice in women's cross country (2009 and 2010).

Griewisch holds other Lenoir-Rhyne outdoor track and field records as well including the 1,500-meter (4:41) and 5,000-meter (17:01) runs to go along with the school indoor 5K (16:45). Griewisch just missed All-American honors in the 5,000-meter at the NCAA Division II Indoor Track and Field National Championships in March in Albuquerque, N.M., when she placed ninth overall.

**2011 NCAA Division II Outdoor Track & Field
National Championships - 10,000-meter run
Turlock, Calif. (Al Brenda Track)
California State Stanislaus, host
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1. Sarah Porter, Western Washington, 33:17.39
2. Lauren Kleppin, Western State, 33:47.06
3. Rosie Mascoli, East Stroudsburg, 33:54.74
4. Elicia Anderson, Millersville, 34:17.31
5. Christina Muir, Ferris State, 34:20.99
- 6. Kate Griewisch, Lenoir-Rhyne, 34:21.53**
7. Kristen McGlynn, Adams State, 34:25.61
8. Ruth Keino, Alaska Anchorage, 34:30.53
9. Alia Gray, Chico State, 34:31.09
10. Tina Yi, Edinboro, 34:41.10
11. Jackie Henderson, Southern Indiana, 35:23.36
12. Morgan Place, Minnesota-Duluth, 35:24.54
13. Katrina Spratford, Shippensburg, 35:48.45
14. Tori Tyler, Chico State, 36:17.70
15. Lindsey Lambert, Lock Haven, 36:26.98
16. Whitney Bishoff, Anderson (S.C.), 36:43.32
17. Heidi Ertl, Wisconsin-Parkside, 36:44.21
18. Kylene Cieslak, Grand Valley State, 38:07.14

ASU TRACK STRUGGLES AT EAST REGIONALS

It was a tough day for the Appalachian State University men's and women's track program competing on Thursday at the East Regional championships in Bloomington, Ind. Darius Purcell had the best place finish of the day. He finished in a 15th-place tie in the high jump with an effort of six-feet, 11-inches. Brandon Hudgins was 33rd in the 1500-meter run as he crossed the finish line in 3:51.93; Alex Taylor was 41st (3:55.08). Jerod Gardner was 40th in the shot put (52-07.50). Cassie Crawford was 30th in the women's pole vault (12-01.50). Malcom Styers in the hammer throw, Gayshawna Watkins in the women's shot put, Rebecca Hazeltine in the women's high jump, Dennis Moore in the 200-meter dash and Sean Soderman in the men's 3,000-meter steeplechase will compete today. The men's 4x100-meter relay (Moore, Thomas Lockard, Justin Thomas and Landon Powell) compete on Saturday.

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The top 12 finishers in each event advance to the NCAA Championships in Des Moines, IA, June 8-11.

TIGHT ENDS LEAVES MIAMI FOR RICHMOND

Red-Shirt tight end Andrew Tallman from the University of Miami (Atlantic Coast Conference) is transferring to Richmond (Colonial Athletic Association). Tallman, who was ranked among the top five tight ends in the state of New York his senior year by Rivals.com, still has four years of eligibility remaining.