

Dever Paces Bobcats at Conference Championships

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The Lees-McRae College men's track and field team took the top two spots in the pole vault and finished second in the high jump to place fourth in the team standings day one of the 2012 Conference Carolinas Championships on Friday at the Arthur, Lauretsen and Sanders Track and Field Complex. King College tops the day one

standings with 43 points, followed by Mount Olive College (33) and Limestone College (28). Lees-McRae is fourth with 27 points, followed by North Greenville University (16), Belmont Abbey College (4), and Barton College (1).

Kevin Dever (Leesburg, N.J.) won the pole vault with a mark of 4.40 meters, as Evan Webb (Salisbury, N.C.) came in second with an identical mark of 4.40 meters. Nazaire Saintine (Douglasville, Ga.) finished second in the high jump with a mark of 1.93 meters, while Jordan Wilbur (Chesterfield, S.C.) turned in a season-best mark of 35.84 meters in the hammer throw en route to a sixth-place performance. In the preliminary heats for Saturday's running finals, Richard Lane (Concord, N.C.) qualified for the finals in the 100-meter dash with a season-best time of 11.27 seconds, as Travis Burton (Newberry, S.C.) qualified in the 400-meter dash with a mark of 49.95 seconds.

Tyler Dunn (Jasper, Ga.) and Jared Lupton (Nampa, Idaho) each qualified for the finals in the 1,500-meter run with times of 4:10.76 and 4:17.50, respectively. Bradley King (Hildebran, N.C.) also qualified for the finals in the 400-meter hurdles with a mark of 56.92 seconds.

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Bobcats Lead Pack at Conference Carolinas Championships

The Lees-McRae College women's track and field team holds a narrow lead after day one of the 2012 Conference Carolinas Championships, winning the pole vault and taking two of the top three spots in the high jump on Friday at the Arthur, Lauretsen and Sanders Track and Field

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Complex. Lees-McRae tops the day one standings with 33 points, followed closely by Mount Olive College and Limestone College in a two-way tie for second with 32 markers. King College is fourth with 29 points, followed by North Greenville University (16) and Belmont Abbey College (10).

Taylor Pritchett (Apex, N.C.) took home the women's pole vault title with a personal-best mark of 2.59 meters, as Persephanie Mcrae (Brooklyn, N.C.) placed second in the high jump with a career-best jump of 1.62 meters. Kortnie Curry (Lexington, N.C.) placed third in the high jump for the Bobcats with a mark of 1.62 meters.

Rachelle Cleveland (Moyock, N.C.) finished second in the javelin throw with a mark of 32.09 meters, as Kayla Frazier (Chesterfield, S.C.) placed sixth with a throw of 26.51 meters. Genay Miller (Woodstock, Ga.) and Jamara Cook (Claremont, N.C.) placed seventh and eighth in the hammer throw with marks of 33.29 and 32.93 meters, respectively.

In the preliminary heats for Saturday's running finals, Ilesha Poindexter (Jetterville, Va.) qualified in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes, as Hannah Henderson (Canvas, W.Va.) and Crystal Fischer (Greer, S.C.) each booked a spot in the finals for the 1,500-meter run. Freshman Meagan Thornton (Millville, N.J.) qualified in both the 100- and 400-meter hurdles, winning her heat in the 400-meter hurdles while posting a personal-best time of 15.57 seconds in the 100-meter hurdles.

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