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Southern Arkansas Track Competes at Tarleton State

Stephenville, Tex. - Southern Arkansas University competed against a strong field at the Tarleton State Relays Thursday. Both the Muleriders and Lady Muleriders finished with some excellent performances.

In the men's division, Jermaine Logan and Brandon Suell placed one-two in the 100-meter dash for 18 points for SAU. Logan was timed in 10.93 and Suell in 11.17. Ed White was fifth for another point and a half in 11.24.

In the 200, Logan was second in 22.02, Rudy Stennis was fifth in 22.67, and White sixth in 22.71, for a combined 11 points. Suell was seventh in 22.95. In the prelims, Logan clocked a 21.31, White 21.71, Suell 21.83, and Stennis 21.90.

In the 400, Andrew Thompson of SAU was sixth in 50.39 for one point. He had the fastest qualifying time of all entrees with a 48.90. Ryan Hinton was seventh in 50.63, and Stennis 10th in 51.72. In the prelims, Stennis ran a 49.20, and Hinton a 49.28.

Jermaine Jones was second in the 800-meter run in 1:57.09 for eight points. David Virget was ninth in 1:59.90, and Ramiro Caballero 11th in 2:04.84. Joshua Mitchell was seventh in the 5,000-meter run in 17:49.33, and Kyle Rogers ninth in 18:29.93. In the 5,000, Elliot Isom was third in 16:27.11 for six points. Mitchell was seventh in 17:49.33, and Rogers ninth with 18:29.93.

The Mulerider 400 relay posted by far the fastest qualifying time with 40.58, but did not finish the finals with a dropped baton. The 1600 relay team (Logan, Jones, Hinton, Thompson) was second with 3:18.09 for eight points.

In the women's division, Chantal Scott was fifth in the 400-meter dash in 1:00.72 for two points, and Angel Williams was tenth in 1:02.59. Ashley Weeks was fourth in the 800-meter run in 2:30.14, and Amanda Byers was ninth in 2:40.12. Gaby Mendoza of SAU was third in the 1,500 in 5:07.23, and Bridget Garza was fifth in 5:14.34 for a combined eight points. Sharon Bishop was 14th in 5:54.75.

Lindsay Musielak won first-place honors for SAU in the 5,000-meter run with an impressive time of 19:15.05, good for ten points. Elvia Villa was ninth in 21:00.04. In the intermediate hurdles, Sarah McRorey was ninth in 1:12.06. The SAU 1600 relay team (McRorey, Garza, Scott, Byers) was fourth in 4:19.65 for four points.

Shelley Johnson was third in the shot put with a 36-01.25 heave for six points. Crystal Clifford was tenth with 24-05.50. Johnson was eighth in the discus with a 103-0 throw, Johnson was fifth in the hammer throw with 67-10 for two points, and Rebecca Landry sixth with 64-09 for a point, and Johnson was second in the javelin with a toss of 108.09 for eight points, and Landry was fifth with 90-01 for two points.

The host Texans easily won the men's division with a runaway 195 points. Eastern New Mexico was a distant second with 88, Southern Arkansas was third with 53.5, Howard Payne was fourth with 39, and College of the Southwest was fifth with 25. Rounding out the field were Sul Ross State, Southwestern, Northwood, Texas A&M-Commerce, Texas-Permian Basin, Dallas Baptist, and East Texas Baptist.

Texas Lutheran ran away with the women's title with 211.5 points, with the host TexAnns second with 135.5. Eastern New Mexico was third with 57, Southern Arkansas fourth with 47, and Dallas Baptist fifth with 32. Also competing and scoring were Sul Ross State, Southwestern, Northwood, New Mexico Junior College, and Howard Payne.

Southern Arkansas will be at the University of Texas Relays next weekend.