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MVC Male Cross Country Athlete of the Week

Jake Hoffert, So., Yorkville, Ill. - Bradley

On a hot day in Peoria, sophomore Jake Hoffert claimed his first collegiate title at the Bradley Intercollegiate on Friday. The junior placed first with an 8K time of 24:51.1 – 32 seconds ahead of the next-highest non-Bradley runner and the fastest 8K time in the MVC this season – while also helping the Braves to the team title.



MVC Female Cross Country Athlete of the Week

Natalie Burant, Sr., Hartland, Wis. - Bradley

A 90-degree day couldn't stop Natalie Burant from starting her 2017 season strong as the senior won her first individual title in the 5K race by finishing first at the Bradley Intercollegiate on Friday. Burant finished nine seconds ahead of second-place and her time (16:58.5) was more than 30 seconds quicker on the same three-mile course from a season ago as she also helped the Braves secure the team championship.

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Other Top Performances

MEN

Akis Medrano- Indiana State

Indiana State junior Akis Medrano posted a time of 25:53.20 to finish in sixth place at the highly competitive Indiana Intercollegiate on Friday, September 15 at Purdue. Medrano led the Sycamores to a second place finish with a victory over regionally ranked Indiana.

Josh Maier- Southern Illinois

Josh Maier led the Saluki men with a 29th place finish in a field of 172 runners at the Commodore Classic. The redshirt junior finished the 8K in 25:54 amongst runners from Middle Tennessee State, Butler, and Lipscomb.

CJ May- Northern Iowa

Sophomore CJ May led all Panthers on Saturday during the Mayflower Day Open after running a time of 26:10.1 to finish fifth overall. The fifth-place finish was May's highest of his collegiate career, while the 8K time was also his highest as a Panther. May was only 14.1 seconds off Wisconsin's Tannor Wagner, who won the race.

Victor Fortin- Valparaiso

Victor Fortin led the Crusaders with their best finish at the Spartan Invitational in East Lansing, Mich. The sophomore finished the 8K in 27:33.2 to capture his second top-three marks this season. The runners had to battle tough weather conditions with the extreme heat on the course, causing some runners to not finish

WOMEN

Taylor Austin - Indiana State

Indiana State senior Taylor Austin continued her strong start to the season as she posted a second place finish against a loaded regionally-ranked field at the Indiana Intercollegiate on Friday, September 15 at Purdue. Austin covered the 6K course in a time of 22:55.00 which is the third best time of the season in the Missouri Valley Conference.

Jessica Allen - Missouri State

Allen ran a 17:06.7 5K at the Southern Stampede marking the second fastest 5K time in Missouri State history and a new personal best time by almost a minute. The time also marked the fastest 5K in the MVC this season. She finished second overall, but finished first among collegiate runners. Running against 279 other competitors and three D1 teams. Allen also led the pack of 15 Bears in the race in Joplin, Mo.

Hannah Truniger- Northern Iowa

Sophomore Hannah Truniger led all Panthers on Saturday during the Mayflower Day Open after running a time of 21:55.2 to finish third overall in the 6K race. The third-place finish was Truniger's highest of her collegiate career. The race was Truniger's first of the season.

Kim Heiny- Valparaiso

The senior captured her second top-spot in as many tries for Valpo at the Spartan Invitational in East Lansing, Mich. this past Friday. Crossing the finish in 24:18.8, Heiny competed against over 250 runners.

Upcoming Schedule

September 23

Austin Peay Invite UE
Roy Griak Invitational DU

September 29

Notre Dame InvitationalINS, LUC, SIU, VU

September 30

Greater Louisville Classic..... UE, ILS, LUC
Sam Bell Invitational.....BU
Chile Pepper Festival MSU
Joe Plane Invitational.....UNI

October 6

Bradley InvitationalBU

October 13

Bradley Pink ClassicBU, DU, ILS, LUC,
MSU, UNI, VU

October 14

UE Invitational UE
Pre-Nationals BU, INS, SIU

October 20

Illini Open BU, ILS

October 28

MVC ChampionshipALL

November 10

NCAA Midwest Regional.....BU, DU, ILS, LUC,
MSU, UNI, SIU
NCAA Great Lakes RegionalUE, INS, VU



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2017 USTFCCCA Polls

USTFCCCA Men's Regional Polls

Midwest Region - Week-by-Week

<i>Sept. 18</i>	<i>Sept. 11</i>
1. Oklahoma State	1. Oklahoma State
2. Iowa State	2. Iowa State
3. Illinois	3. Illinois
4. Tulsa	4. Tulsa
5. Minnesota	5. Minnesota
6. Kansas	6. Kansas
7. Bradley	7. Bradley
8. South Dakota State	8. South Dakota State
9. Wichita State	9. Wichita State
10. Iowa	10. Missouri
11. Oklahoma	11. Oklahoma
12. Missouri	12. Iowa
13. Nebraska	13. Saint Louis
14. UMKC	14. UMKC
15. Illinois State	15. Illinois State

Great Lakes Region - Week-by-Week

<i>Sept. 18</i>	<i>Sept. 11</i>
1. Wisconsin	1. Wisconsin
2. Indiana	2. Indiana
3. Michigan State	3. Eastern Michigan
4. Eastern Michigan	4. Michigan State
5. Michigan	5. Michigan
6. Butler	6. Butler
7. Purdue	7. Notre Dame
8. Notre Dame	8. Purdue
9. Dayton	9. Miami (Ohio)
10. Miami (Ohio)	10. Ohio State
11. Ohio State	11. Marquette
12. Marquette	12. Indiana State
13. Indiana State	13. Youngstown State
14. Youngstown State	14. Oakland
15. Oakland	15. Dayton

USTFCCCA Women's Regional Polls

Midwest Region - Week-by-Week

<i>Sept. 18</i>	<i>Sept. 11</i>
1. Minnesota	1. Missouri
2. Iowa State	2. Minnesota
3. Oklahoma State	3. Iowa State
4. Missouri	4. Oklahoma State
5. Kansas	5. Kansas
6. Northwestern	6. Northwestern
7. Oklahoma	7. Oklahoma
8. Northern Illinois	8. Northern Illinois
9. Illinois	9. Illinois
10. Tulsa	10. Tulsa
11. South Dakota	11. South Dakota
12. Iowa	12. Iowa
13. Bradley	13. Bradley
14. Northern Iowa	14. Northern Iowa
15. Eastern Illinois	15. Eastern Illinois

Great Lakes Region - Week-by-Week

<i>Sept. 18</i>	<i>Sept. 11</i>
1. Michigan	1. Michigan
2. Notre Dame	2. Notre Dame
3. Indiana	3. Indiana
4. Wisconsin	4. Wisconsin
5. Ohio State	5. Michigan State
6. Michigan State	6. Ohio State
7. Eastern Michigan	7. Eastern Michigan
8. Toledo	8. Purdue
9. Dayton	9. Butler
10. Xavier	10. Toledo
11. Miami (Ohio)	11. Marquette
12. Purdue	12. Miami (Ohio)
13. Indiana State	13. Indiana State
13. Marquette	13. Bowling Green
15. Central Michigan	15. Central Michigan

NCAA Division I Men's Cross Country Rankings

September 12, 2017

Team (first place votes)	Points
1. Northern Arizona (7)	350
2. Stanford (3)	348
3. Syracuse	333
4. Colorado (2)	324
5. Arkansas	323
6. BYU	297
7. Wisconsin	280
8. Oregon	260
9. Iona	255
10. Oklahoma State	249
11. Washington State	212
12. Iowa State	205
13. Virginia	185
14. Furman	183
15. Georgetown	174
16. Southern Utah	173
17. Portland	168
18. Colorado State	147
19. Middle Tennessee	136
20. Ole Miss	114
21. Tulsa	102
22. UCLA	99
23. Eastern Michigan	86
24. Boise State	82
25. Michigan State	81
26. Virginia Tech	79
27. Indiana	74
28. Illinois	66
29. NC State	58
30. Columbia	32



NCAA Division I Women's Cross Country Rankings

September 12, 2017

Team (first place votes)	Points
1. Colorado	
2. Oregon	
3. New Mexico	
4. Michigan	
5. Stanford	
6. NC State	
7. Providence	
8. San Francisco	
9. Notre Dame	
10. BYU	
11. Penn State	
12. Arkansas	
13. Washington	
14. Missouri	
15. Wisconsin	
16. Ole Miss	
17. Michigan State	
18. Villanova	
19. Boise State	
20. Oklahoma State	
21. Eastern Michigan	
22. Utah	
23. Minnesota	
24. Mississippi State	
25. Iowa State	
26. Indiana	
27. Georgetown	
28. Harvard	
29. Furman	
30. Utah State	



Others receiving votes: Navy (22), Texas (21), Air Force (20), Michigan (19), Providence (7), California (4), UTEP (4), Alabama (3), Eastern Kentucky (2), Minnesota (2), Princeton (1).

Others receiving votes: West Virginia (32), Louisville (29), Air Force (25), Yale (25), Portland (22), Baylor (20), UCLA (7), Vanderbilt (6), Syracuse (5).

2017 MVC Cross Country Notes

Male Athlete of the Week

9/5 Josh Yeager, Junior, Drake
 9/12 Alex Baker, RS Senior, Loyola
 9/19 Jake Hoffert, So., Bradley

Female Athlete of the Week

9/5 Jessica Allen, Senior, Missouri State
 9/12 Lindsey Brewis, RS Junior, Loyola
 9/19 Natalie Burant, Sr., Bradley

This Week's Top Finishers

Men Runner	Meet (Distance)	Placement
Jake Hoffert, Bradley	Bradley Intercollegiate (8k)	1st
CJ May, UNI	Mayflower Day Open (8k)	5th
Akis Medrano, INS	Indiana Intercollegiates (8k)	6th

Women Runner	Meet (Distance)	Placement
Natalie Burant, Bradley	Bradley Intercollegiate (5K)	1st
Jessica Allen, MSU	Southern Stampede (5K)	2nd
Taylor Austin, INS	Indiana Intercollegiate (6K)	2nd
Hannah Truniger, UNI	Mayflower Day Open (6k)	3rd

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2017 MVC Cross Country Schedules & Results

Bradley Braves

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 1	EIU Walt Crawford Open	Charleston, Ill. <i>M-NTS; W-NTS</i>
Sept. 15	Bradley Intercollegiate	Peoria, Ill. <i>M-1st; W-1st</i>
Sept. 30	Sam Bell Invitational	Bloomington, Ind.
Oct. 6	Bradley Invitational	Peoria, Ill.
Oct. 13	Bradley Pink Classic	Peoria, Ill.
Oct. 14	Pre-National Invitational	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 20	Illini Open	Champaign, Ill.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Midwest Regional	Ames, Iowa
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

Drake Bulldogs

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 1	Hawkeye Invitational	Iowa City, Iowa <i>M-NTS; W-NTS</i>
Sept. 8	Oz Memorial	Minneapolis, Minn. <i>M-2nd/6; W-4th/5</i>
Sept. 23	Roy Griak Invitational	Falcon Heights, Minn.
Oct. 13	Bradley Pink Classic	Peoria, Ill.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Midwest Regional	Ames, Iowa
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

Evansville Purple Aces

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 2	Belmont Opener	Nashville, Tenn. <i>M-5th/5; W-4th/5</i>
Sept. 9	John McNichols Inv.	Terre Haute, Ind. <i>M-5th/5; W-5th/5</i>
Sept. 23	Austin Peay Invite	Clarksville, Tenn.
Sept. 30	Greater Louisville Classic	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 14	UE Invitational	Evansville, Ind.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Great Lakes Regional	Terre Haute, Ind.
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

Illinois State Redbirds

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 1	Hawkeye Invitational	Iowa City, Iowa <i>M-NTS; W-NTS</i>
Sept. 8	Illinois State Invite	Normal, Ill. <i>M-2nd/8; W-4th/9</i>
Sept. 30	Greater Louisville Classic	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 13	Bradley Classic	Peoria, Ill.
Oct. 20	Illini Open	Urbana-Champaign, Ill.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Midwest Regional	Ames, Iowa
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

Indiana State Sycamores

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 9	John McNichols Invitational	Terre Haute, Ind. <i>M-2nd/5; W-3rd/5</i>
Sept. 15	Indiana Intercollegiate	West Lafayette, Ind. <i>M-2nd/4; W-2nd/3</i>
Sept. 29	Notre Dame Invitational	South Bend, Ind.
Oct. 14	Pre-National Invitational	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Great Lakes Regional	Terre Haute, Ind.
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

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Loyola Ramblers

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 8	Illinois State Invitational	Normal, Ill. <i>M-3rd/8; W-3rd/9</i>
Sept. 15	National Catholic Championships	South Bend, Ind.
Sept. 29	Notre Dame Invitational	South Bend, Ind.
Sept. 30	Greater Louisville Classic (Women)	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 13	Bradley Classic	Peoria, Ill.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Midwest Regional	Ames, Iowa
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

Missouri State Bears

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 2	J.K. Gold Classic	Wichita, Kan. NTS
Sept. 16	Missouri Southern Stampede	Joplin, Mo. NTS
Sept. 30	Chile Pepper Festival	Fayetteville, Ark.
Oct. 13	Bradley Pink Classic	Peoria, Ill.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Midwest Regional	Ames, Iowa
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

Northern Iowa Panthers

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 1	Hawkeye Invite	Iowa City, Iowa <i>M-NTS; W-NTS</i>
Sept. 16	Mayflower Day Open	Madison, Wis. <i>M-NTS; W-NTS</i>
Sept. 30	Joe Piane Invitational	South Bend, Ind.
Oct. 13	Bradley Classic	Peoria, Ill.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Midwest Regional	Ames, Iowa
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

Southern Illinois Salukis

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 2	Golden Eagle Invitational	Cookeville, Tenn. <i>M-5th/6; W-3rd/5</i>
Sept. 16	Commodore Classic	Nashville, Tenn. <i>M- 12th/15; W-12th/17</i>
Sept. 29	Notre Dame Invitational	South Bend, Ind.
Oct. 14	Pre-Nationals	Louisville, Ky.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Midwest Regional	Ames, Iowa
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.

Valparaiso Crusader

Date	Site	Site/Finish
Sept. 1	Crusader Open	Valparaiso, Ind. <i>M-4th/4; W-5th/5</i>
Sept. 15	Spartan Invitational	East Lansing, Mich. <i>M-NTS; W-NTS</i>
Sept. 29	Notre Dame Invitational	South Bend, Ind.
Oct. 13	Bradley Classic	Peoria, Ill.
Oct. 28	MVC Championship	Springfield, Mo.
Nov. 10	NCAA Great Lakes Regional	Terre Haute, Ind.
Nov. 18	NCAA Championship	Louisville, Ky.