

2014 Ohio Valley Conference Cross Country Championships



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Welcome

Greetings OVC friends and family,

On behalf of the member institutions of the Ohio Valley Conference it is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to the 2014 OVC Cross Country Championships. During this championship you will be privileged to witness the best of intercollegiate athletics as our fine OVC student-athletes demonstrate their keen intellectual understanding of the sport, their exemplary athletic skills and their commitment to sportsmanship.



Please join me in commending our participants, whose hard work in the classroom and on the playing fields has resulted in their participation in this event. Let us all be committed to ensuring our student-athletes have a wonderful championships experience by cheering and demonstrating exemplary sportsmanship. Also join me in thanking UT Martin for demonstrating a commitment to excellence that is representative of the OVC.

To our fans, please know we are glad you could be part of such an important event in the lives of our student-athletes for this is an experience they will cherish for the rest of their lives. We thank you for your support of OVC athletics.

As for our participating student-athletes, run hard, represent yourself and your institution with class and enjoy the experience!

Sincerely,
Beth DeBauche, Ohio Valley Conference Commissioner

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On behalf of the University of Tennessee at Martin, I would like to welcome you to the 2014 Ohio Valley Conference Cross Country Championship. We are pleased to be hosting this event and hope that your experience here will be one that you will remember for years to come. Congratulations on a successful season and we wish you the best of luck as you compete in the Championship.

Sincerely,
Julio Freire, University of Tennessee at Martin Director of Intercollegiate Athletics

Credits

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Past Champions



Men's Champions

1962- Murray State
1963- Murray State
1964- Western Kentucky
1965- Eastern Kentucky
1966- Eastern Kentucky
1967- Eastern Kentucky
1968- Murray State
1969- Murray State
1970- East Tennessee
1971- East Tennessee
1972- East Tennessee
1973- East Tennessee
1974- Western Kentucky
1975- Western Kentucky
1976- Western Kentucky
1977- East Tennessee
1978- Western Kentucky
1979- Western Kentucky
1980- Western Kentucky
1981- Murray State

1983- Middle Tennessee
1984- Eastern Kentucky
1985- Murray State
1986- Austin Peay and Murray State
1987- Eastern Kentucky
1988- Morehead State
1989- Eastern Kentucky
1990- Eastern Kentucky
1991- Eastern Kentucky
1992- Eastern Kentucky
1993- Eastern Kentucky
1994- Eastern Kentucky
1995- Morehead State
1996- Eastern Illinois
1997- Eastern Kentucky
1998- Eastern Illinois
1999- Eastern Kentucky
2000- Eastern Illinois
2001- Eastern Illinois
2002- Eastern Illinois

2003 Eastern Illinois
2004 Eastern Kentucky
2005 Eastern Illinois
2006 Eastern Kentucky
2007 Eastern Kentucky
2008 Eastern Kentucky
2009 Eastern Kentucky
2010 Eastern Kentucky
2011 Eastern Kentucky
2012 Eastern Kentucky
2013 Eastern Kentucky

OVC TEAM TITLES

Eastern Kentucky	22
Eastern Illinois	7
Murray State	7
Western Kentucky	7
East Tennessee State.....	5
Morehead State	2
Akron	1
Austin Peay	1

Women's Champions

1979 Morehead State
1980 Murray State
1981 Murray State
1982 Eastern Kentucky
1983 Eastern Kentucky
1984 Eastern Kentucky
1985 Eastern Kentucky
1986 Eastern Kentucky
1987 Eastern Kentucky
1988 Eastern Kentucky
1989 Eastern Kentucky
1990 Eastern Kentucky
1991 Eastern Kentucky
1992 Eastern Kentucky

1993 Eastern Kentucky
1994 Eastern Kentucky
1995 Eastern Kentucky
1996 Eastern Kentucky
1997 Eastern Kentucky
1998 Eastern Kentucky
1999 Eastern Kentucky
2000 Morehead State
2001 Eastern Illinois
2002 Eastern Kentucky
2003 Eastern Kentucky
2004 Samford
2005 Samford
2006 Eastern Kentucky

2007 Eastern Kentucky
2008 Eastern Kentucky
2009 Eastern Kentucky
2010 Eastern Kentucky
2011 Eastern Illinois
2012 Eastern Kentucky
2013 Eastern Kentucky

OVC TEAM TITLES

Eastern Kentucky	27
Eastern Illinois	2
Morehead State	2
Murray State	2
Samford	2



Austin Peay

Head Coach: Doug Molnar | **Assistant Coach:** Ryne Sexton

Women's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Sarah Carpenter	Fr.	Collierville, Tenn.
Alexis Eldridge	Jr.	Clarksville, Tenn.
Jessica Gray	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn.
Molly Jordan	So.	Grove City, Ohio
Unjala Lester	So.	Arlington, Tenn.
Michaela McGhee	So.	McDonough, Ga.
Natalie Olberding	Jr.	Council Bluffs, Iowa
Alehia Romero	Jr.	Buena Vista, Ariz.
Becca Wheeler	Fr.	Springboro, Ohio
Sarah-Emily Woodward	Fr.	Rockfield, Ky.

Men's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Alan Crosby	Fr.	Clarksville, Tenn.
Mickey Fils	Fr.	Mt. Juliet, Tenn.
Hunter Guthrie	So.	Missoula, Mont.
Daniel Hamm	So.	Brentwood, Tenn.
Kyle Harmon	So.	Clarksville, Tenn.
Alex Haycraft	So.	Clarksville, Tenn.
Thomas Owen	Sr.	Clarksville, Tenn.
Nick Piskor	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn.
Martin Rejman	So.	Mlada Boleslav, Czech Republic
Nathan Sparks	So.	Alamo, Tenn.
Elijah Wilson	Fr.	Lebanon, Tenn.

Belmont



Head Coach: Jeff Langdon | **Assistant Coach** Ashley Casavant | **Graduate Assistants:** Matt Miller and Brad Dsida

Women's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Hannah Denton	So.	Burns, Tenn.
Molly Foster	So.	Johnson City, Tenn.
Abby Hagan	Fr.	Sarasota, Fla.
Maggie Harahan	Jr.	Greensboro, N.C.
Jessica King	Fr.	Fishers, Ind.
Nicole Thinnes	R-So.	Carmel, Ind.
Kiera Weems	Fr.	Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Mara White	R-So.	Pataluska, Ohio
Hannah Wittman	Jr.	Lindenhurst, Ill.
Jessie Wynn	Jr.	Peoria, Ill.
Alexa Yatauro	Fr.	Huntington Beach, Calif.

Men's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Kirk Bado	So.	Shawnee, Kan.
Matthew Blivin	Fr.	Durham, N.C.
Marcus Bridger-Wilkinson	Jr.	Newbury, England
Anthony Didion	Fr.	LaPorte, Ind.
Kaden Eaton	Fr.	Columbus, Ind.
Luke Evans	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio
David Everett	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.
Kurtis Gibson	Jr.	Highbridge, England
Kris Howard	Jr.	Spring Hill, Tenn.
Erick Kigen	Sr.	Eldoret, Kenya
Alex Mimlitz	So.	Elmhurst, Ill.
Brent Scott	So.	Naples, Fla.
John Sharpe	Jr.	Oak Ridge, Tenn.
Evan Stifel	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio



Eastern Illinois

Head Coach: Erin Howarth | **Assistant Coach:** Brad Butler

Women's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Maria Baldwin	Fr.	Toluca, Ill.
Emily Brelsfoard	So.	Normal, Ill.
Caroline Collet	Fr.	Verona, Ill.
Katelyn Duckett	Jr.	Shelbyville, Ill.
Rachel Garippo	So.	Roselle, Ill.
Ruth Garippo	So.	Roselle, Ill.
Christina Gastfield	R-Jr.	Arlington Heights, Ill.
Ivy Handley	So.	Decatur, Ill.
Kelsey Hardimon	R-Jr.	Monticello, Ill.
Julie James	So.	Gridley, Ill.
Quincy Knolhoff	R-So.	Centralia, Ill.
Jennifer Luna	Jr.	Olney, Ill.
Whitney Maninfior	Fr.	Matton, Ill.
Michelle Meyerholtz	Fr.	Bakersfield, Cal.
Victoria Quarton	Jr.	Litchfield, Ill.
Kristen Rohrer	R-So.	Petersburg, Ill.
Cassy Shaffer	So.	Mattoon, Ill.
Chelsea Sondgeroth	R-Jr.	Dixon, Ill.
Lea Viano	Fr.	Carlinville, Ill.
Amy Yeoman	Jr.	Petersburg, Ill.

Men's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Tyler Anderson	Jr.	Schaumburg, Ill.
Ryan Ballard	R-Sr.	Rockton, Ill.
Michael Brown	Fr.	Carmi, Ill.
Joe Calio	R-Jr.	Mattoon, Ill.
Max Gassmann	Sr.	Olney, Ill.
Will Giroux	Fr.	Homer Glen, Ill.
Derrick Johnson	R-So.	Wyanet, Ill.
Drennian Martin	Fr.	Shelbyville, Ill.
Riley McInerney	So.	Charleston, Ill.
Paxson Menard	So.	Poplar Grove, Ill.
Lucas Nudelman	R-Fr.	Highland Park, Ill.
Chris Orlow	Fr.	Aurora, Ill.
Mark Pedziwiatr	R-So.	New Lenox, Ill.
Brock Ramos	R-Jr.	Hoopeston, Ill.
Greg Rogers	So.	Granite City, Ill.
Bruyn Yunk	R-Jr.	Belvidere, Ill.

Eastern Kentucky



Head Coach: Rick Erdmann | **Assistant Coaches:** Cory Erdmann, Megan LaVoie and Chris Rengifo | **Graduate Assistant:** Lydia Kosgei

Women's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Una Britton	Sr.	Wicklow, Ireland
Ann Eason	Sr.	Lexington, Ky.
Katherine Grasberger	Fr.	Mechanicsville, Va.
Charlotte Imer	Fr.	Melbourne, Australia
Julie Mathisen	Jr.	Askim, Norway
Anna Reddin	Sr.	Sligo, Ireland
Shannon Rutherford	Jr.	Huntington, W.Va.
Ciara Scott	Fr.	Bowling Green, Ky.
Ashley Svec	Jr.	Union, Ky.
Ann Tum	So.	Eldoret, Kenya
Madison Zeitz	So.	Windsor, N.Y.
Haley Yost	Fr.	New Tripoli, Pa.

Men's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Jakob Dybdal Abrahamsen	Fr.	Aarhus, Denmark
Dominic Brown	So.	Borough Green, Kent, England
Kyle Burton	Sr.	Columbus, Ind.
Jamaine Coleman	Fr.	Aston, Preston, England
Jack Gaddie	Jr.	Hebron, Ky.
Ole Hesselbjerg	Sr.	Charlottenlund, Denmark
Mikkel Dahl Jessen	Fr.	Silkeborg, Denmark
Tom Koringo	Fr.	Iten Kenya
Ronald Korir	Fr.	Iten, Kenya
Amos Kosgey	Jr.	Eldoret, Kenya
Ambrose Maritim	So.	Eldoret, Kenya
Luka Ndungu	So.	Nyahururu, Kenya
Ben Toroitich	Sr.	Marakwet, Kenya
Ben Turner	Jr.	Hebron, Ky.
Sean Vandermosten	Sr.	Burlington, Ky.
Jerome Williams	So.	Richmond, Ky.



Jacksonville State

Head Coach: Steve Ray

Women's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Ryan Green	So.	Oxford, Ala.
Katylyn Huffstutler	Fr.	Cullman, Ala
Briana Jackson	So.	Grovetown, Ga.
Beatrice Limo	Fr.	El Doret, Kenya
Ju-ells McLeod	So.	McDonough, Ga.
Hannah Pelham	So.	Sevierville, Tenn.
Dayja Simon	Fr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
Whitley Towns	Sr.	Boaz, Ala.

Men's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Alexander Beverley	So.	Augusta, Ga.
Matthew Bonds	Fr.	Jacksonville, Ala.
Daniel Burton	Fr.	Collinsville, Ala.
Jordan Cummins	Sr.	Dry Ridge, Ky.
Andrew Green	Fr.	Section, Ala.
Paul Lueck	Sr.	Douglasville, Ga.
Stephen Payne	So.	Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Ben Pryor	So.	Jacksonville, Ala.
Mickey Sanders	Sr.	Marquette, Ala.

Morehead State



Head Coach: Stephen Picucci

Women's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Jasmyn Andrews	Jr.	Central Point, Ore.
Hannah Bailey	So.	Beavercreek, Ohio
Mackenzie Butler	So.	Newark, Ohio
Skyler Green	So.	Edgewood, Ky.
Karina Manz	So.	Hardt, Germany
Lindsay Marcum	Sr.	Springboro, Ohio
Taylor Montgomery	So.	Glasgow, Ky.
Alex Morris	Jr.	Lake Elsinore, Calif.
Hannah Mullins	So.	LaGrange, Ky.
Haley Mullins	So.	LaGrange, Ky.
Erica Parks	Jr.	Kentwood, Mich.
Alyssa Shifflett	So.	Shepherdsville, Ky.
Abby Soltisz	Fr.	Mantua, Ohio
Krystal Williams	Sr.	Cortland, Ohio

Men's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Desmond Bell	Sr.	Akron, Ohio
Mason Blevins	Fr.	Somerset, Ky.
Grayson Brookshire	Fr.	Winchester, Ky.
Evan Childers	Jr.	Buffalo, W.Va.
Clay Dixon	Jr..	Winchester, Ky.
Orlando Frazier	So.	Marietta, Ga.
Jorge Gil-Juarez	Jr.	Phoenix, Ore.
Landon Meserve	So.	Owensboro, Ky.
Gary Monroe	Sr.	Ironton, Ohio
Jesse Moreno	Jr.	Riverside, Ohio
Wes Morris	Jr.	Utica, Ky.
Anthony Ortega	Fr.	Rancho Cucamonga, Cal.
Josh Riley	Fr.	Russel, Ky.
Jeremy Ruppert	So.	Franklin, Ohio
Corey Tooke	Fr.	Noblesville, Va.
Hunter Trenary	Fr.	Owenton, Ky.
Iszack Whitsell	Fr.	Clay, Ky.



Murray State

Head Coach: Jenny Severns | **Assistant Coaches:** Adam Kiesler and Krysten Sebbly

Women's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Taylor Adcock	R-Fr.	Moweaqua, Ill.
Sarah Bindel	Fr.	Chester, Ill.
Brittany Bohn	Sr.	Mahomet, Ill.
Anna Curlin	Fr.	Frankfort, Ky.
Emily Evans	So.	St. Charles, Mo.
Emily Flaherty	Fr.	Louisville, Ky.
Emma Gilmore	Jr.	Locks Heath, England
Emani Griffin	Fr.	Akron, Oh.
Caroline Grogan	Fr.	LaGrange, Ky.
Kati Heil	Fr.	Oldham, County, Ky.
Alicyn Hester	R-So.	Yorkville, Ill.
Vallery Korir	Fr.	Iten, Kenya
Leah Krause	Jr.	St. Charles, Mo.
Elizabeth Lay	Fr.	O'Fallon, Mo.
Morgan McNeely	R-Fr.	Scottsburg, Ind.
Rebecca Morris	Jr.	Fort Wright, Ky.
Felizitas Muller	So.	Rastatt, Germany
Abbie Oliver	Sr.	Connah's Quay, Wales
Heatherly Paschall	Jr.	Murray, Ky.
Natalie Pattin	R-So	Florissant, Mo.
Rebekah Priddy	Fr.	Austin, Tx.
Kimmy Siebert	R-So.	St. Louis, Mo.
Meagan Smith	Fr.	Danville, Ky.
Jacquelyn Thate	Jr.	Darien, Ill.
Tia Weston	So.	Fairdale, Ky.
Raeven Wilson	So.	Louisville, Ky.
Chloe Zimmerer	Sr.	Dexter, Ky.

Men's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Cole Cisneros	So.	Carmel, Ind.
Gavin Davis	Fr.	Nicholasville, Ky.
Gavin Galanes	Fr.	St. Charles, Mo.
Jarred Koerner	So.	Champaign, Ill.
Lucas Prather	So.	Mahomet, Ill.
Evan Staviski	Fr.	Owingsville, Ky.
Mark Ventura	Fr.	Slade, Ky.
Neil Yockey	Fr.	Shelbyville, Ill.

Southeast Missouri State



Head Coach: Ryan Lane | **Assistant Coach:** Madalyn Stichnot

Women's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Nichole Beffa	Sr.	Festus, Mo.
Laura Chavez	Jr.	Cape Girardeau, Mo.
Zhao Ni Dirnberger	Fr.	Jackson, Mo.
Mary Dohogne	Sr.	Cape Girardeau, Mo.
Madeline Gaul	So.	Swansea, Ill.
Andrea George	Fr.	O'Fallon, Ill.
Rebekah Lawson	Sr.	Fenton, Mo.
Sydney O'Brien	Fr.	St. Peters, Mo.
Eilish Overby	Fr.	Grover, Mo.
Megan Parks	So.	Bonne Terre, Mo.
Kristen Richardet	Sr.	Jackson, Mo.
Lindsey Seabaugh	Jr.	Cape Girardeau, Mo.
Angela Sumner	So.	Wildwood, Mo.
Maria Trowbridge	Jr.	Meshoppen, Pa.
Gloria Westlake	Sr.	St. Peters, Mo.

Men's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Ryan Anderson	Sr.	Springfield, Ill.
Tyler Beaman	Fr.	Eureka, Mo.
Sean Brown	Jr.	Festus, Mo.
Shane Brown	Jr.	Festus, Mo.
Nathan Cook	Fr.	St. Peters, Mo.
Tyler Holmes	Sr.	Arnold, Mo.
Marc Maton	So.	Chatham, Ill.
Craig Munie	Sr.	O'Fallon, Ill.
Dan Plunkett	Fr.	Springfield, Mo.
Cole Ross	So.	Marble City, Mo.
Tyson Stoverink	Sr.	Jackson, Mo.
Colten Strotheide	Sr.	Breese, Ill.



SIU Edwardsville

Head Coach: Eileen McCallister | Assistant Coach: Kayla Brown

Women's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Haley Briggs	Jr.	Argenta, Ill.
Ashley Brinker	Fr.	Villa Ridge, Mo.
Jess Clarke	Fr.	Le Roy, Ill.
Emily Conlon	R-Jr.	Ballwin, Mo.
Jessi Elder	Fr.	Columbia, Ill.
Kirby Hale	Jr.	Springfield, Ill.
Erin Kennedy	So.	Wilmington, Ill.
Conradette King	Jr.	Jefferson City, Mo.
Haley Miller	Fr.	Tremont, Ill.
Olivia Rohr	Fr.	Springfield, Ill.
Francesca Sikorski	Fr.	Joliet, Ill.

Men's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Nick Dobbs	Fr.	Olney, Ill.
Jessy Glaub	R-Fr.	Bloomington, Ill.
Anthony Holshouser	Fr.	Princeville, Ill.
Clint Kliem	Jr.	Elgin, Ill.
Nathan Mefford	R-Fr.	Pekin, Ill.
Keith Meyer	So.	Bloomington, Ill.
Nick Moore	Jr.	Springfield, Ill.
Matthew O'Connor	Fr.	Elgin, Ill.
Tyler Owens	Fr.	Springfield, Ill.
Luke Padesky	Sr.	Moline, Ill.
Ben Scamihorn	Fr.	Marshall, Ill.
Scott Woodard	Jr.	Philo, Ill.

Tennessee State



Head Coach: Chandra Cheeseborough

Women's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Breanna Adams	Sr.	Washington, D.C.
Michelle Bradley	Jr.	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Kenyana Hampton	Fr.	Hendersonville, Tenn.
Jasmine Owens	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn.
Oteia Prince	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn.
Christian Pryor	Fr.	Atlanta, Ga.
Kaylor Pryor	Fr.	Atlanta, Ga.
Diera Taylor	Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio

Men's Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Kenji Anderson	So.	Cordova, Tenn.
Jason Griffin	Jr.	Gallatin, Tenn.
Jakeenan Guthrie	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn.
Shawn Harris	So.	Memphis, Tenn.
Jalon McCutcheon	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn.
Theodore Nicholson	Sr.	Jacksonville, Fla.
Quamel Prince	So.	Nashville, Tenn.
Kwame Robinson	Jr.	Bolivar, Tenn.



Tennessee Tech

Head Coach: Wayne Angel | **Assistant Coaches:** Eugene Frazier and Samantha Linck

Women's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Baylee Balgemann	Fr.	Hendersonville, Tenn.
Anna Cooper	Fr.	Bristol, Tenn.
Yeshi Dohrmann	Sr.	Tulahoma, Tenn.
Landry Loving	Jr.	Johnson City, Tenn.
Lera McNamara	Fr.	Manchester, Tenn.

Men's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Ian Barclay	Fr.	Oak Ridge, Tenn.
Collin Gwaltney	Fr.	Cleveland, Tenn.
Brennan Huber	So.	Greenbier, Tenn.
Wesley King	So.	Greenville, Tenn.
Blake Rhoden	Fr.	Brentwood, Tenn.
Jordan Roth	So.	Gray, Tenn.
Geoffrey Sambu	So.	Nakuru, Kenya
Sterling Smith	Sr.	Knoxville, Tenn.
Daniel Williamson	So.	Union City, Tenn.

UT Martin



Head Coach: Gordon Sanders

Women's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Chelsea Bear	Fr.	LaGrange, Ky.
Taylor Connett	Fr.	Erlanger, Ky.
Hayley Doty	Jr.	White House, Tenn.
Abby Frantom	Jr.	Morristown, Tenn.
Kaycee Grimes	Jr.	Clarksville, Tenn.
Marne Helbing	So.	Gilbert, Ariz.
Kiana Hope	Fr.	Fillmore, Cal.
Grace Lucas	Sr.	Clarksville, Tenn.
Heather Mullis	So.	Frisco, Texas
Sheyenne Nelson	So.	Medina, Tenn.
Olivia Owens	So.	Columbia, Tenn.
Emily Pett	So.	Thompson Station, Tenn.
Alexandra Stover	Jr.	Sparta, Tenn.
Rachael Wolters	So.	Culleoka, Tenn.

Men's Roster

Name	Year	Hometown
Joey DeSantis	So.	Frisco, Texas
Josh Diltz	So.	Albuquerque, N. M.
Stone Fagan	Fr.	Cookeville, Tenn.
Mark Graubner	Jr.	Nolensville, Tenn.
Alazar Haile	Jr.	Memphis, Tenn.
Grant Iverson	Fr.	Paxton, Ill.
Colin Johnson	Sr.	Clarksville, Tenn.
Justin Morgan	Jr.	Cookeville, Tenn.
Zach Phifer	Jr.	Big Sandy, Tenn.
Josiah Roberts	Sr.	Greenville, Tenn.
David Wells	So.	Brentwood, Tenn.

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The Ohio Valley Conference

Now in its 67th year, the Ohio Valley Conference continues to build on the success that has made it the nation's eighth-oldest NCAA Division I conference.

In May 2011 the Conference expanded for the second time in four years, adding Belmont University which began competition in the 2012-13 academic year. The addition of Belmont gave the OVC 12 members, the most the league has had at one time in its illustrious history. The move added a second team in the city of Nashville and was the first addition to the league since Southern Illinois University Edwardsville joined in 2008. Subsequently, the league has shown its stability over the past decade, seeing only one member institution depart over the past 14 years.

The 2009-10 school year saw a change in leadership as Beth De-Bauche was named the seventh full-time Commissioner in league history on July 28, 2009. She is currently one of just six females to be the head of a Division I conference, and one of just nine to lead a Division I conference all-time. The last three commissioners of the OVC have moved onto jobs as the commissioner of the Big Ten, Big 12 and the Mid-American Conferences.

The OVC's proud history dates back to 1948, but seeds for the new league were actually planted in 1941. It was then that Roy Stewart, the athletics director at Murray State, Charles "Turkey" Hughes, the athletics director at Eastern Kentucky, and Kelly Thompson, the public relations director at Western Kentucky, first broached the idea of forming a new conference. Discussions were put on hold by World War II, but reemerged Feb. 27-28, 1948 at the Kentucky Hotel in Louisville as the three original institutions combined with Morehead State, Louisville and Evansville to form the OVC.

The league also had another historical moment when it hosted the 2014 NCAA Women's Division I Final Four in Nashville after being awarded the event in 2008. The OVC served as the host of the prestigious event, which was one of the biggest sporting events the city of Nashville hosted.

Over its 66 years, OVC teams have garnered national championships and bowl games in football, along with national team or individual titles in the sports of rifle, cross country, track and golf.

The OVC has also produced several Olympic athletes, including Murray State's Morgan Hicks, who was a member of the 2004 United States Olympic Rifle Team and Morehead State's Brian Shimer who competed in five Winter Olympics in bobsled (winning a bronze medal in 2002) and coached the 2010 United States bobsled team to its first gold medal since 1948.

In addition, some of the greatest players in professional sports were educated at OVC institutions. The list includes former greats such as football's Phil Simms (Morehead State), basketball's Clem Haskins (Western Kentucky) and Bubba Wells (Austin Peay) and two-sport star Steve Hamilton (Morehead State) to present-day standouts like basketball player Trenton Hassell (Austin Peay), football player Tony Romo (Eastern Illinois) and baseball players A.J. Ellis (Austin Peay) and Jon Rauch (Morehead State). Hamilton is the only athlete to ever play in the NCAA Basketball Championship, a Major League Baseball World Series (New York Yankees) and a NBA Championship Series (Los Angeles Lakers).



**INSPIRING EXCELLENCE
SINCE 1948**

Through the early years of the league, administrators wrestled with fan behavior due to the close proximity of the Conference members and the intense rivalries which developed. Just as it did decades ago, the OVC took the leadership role on what has become a national issue. In 1995, the OVC implemented a first-of-its-kind "Sportsmanship Statement," a policy which promotes principles of fair play, ethical conduct and respect for one's opponent. The statement has become a model for others to follow across the nation, and has answered the challenge of the NCAA Presidents Commission to improve sportsmanship in collegiate athletics.

Additionally, the OVC annually presents the Steve Hamilton Sportsmanship Award, in honor of the former Morehead State student-athlete, coach and athletics director, to a junior or senior student-athlete with significant athletic contributions who best exemplifies the characteristics of sportsmanship and citizenship. Most recently, the Conference has also implemented the OVC Institutional and Team Sportsmanship Awards, which are presented to one institution and 18 sport-specific teams voted by their peers to have best exhibited the standards of sportsmanship and ethical conduct as outlined by the OVC and NCAA.

The vision of leadership demonstrated by the Founding Fathers in 1948 remains alive today as the Ohio Valley Conference prepares for the future. One example is in regard to the current trend in collegiate athletics administration for increased involvement of university presidents in setting policies and making rules. The presidents of OVC institutions, however, have always governed the Conference, long before presidential governance became a national theme.

The Ohio Valley Conference sponsors the following sports: baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, tennis and track for men, and basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, tennis, track and volleyball for women. In addition, the OVC also sponsors the combined men's and women's sport of rifle.



Course Map

Women's Course Map



Men's Course Map

