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★ OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY ★ WABASH COLLEGE ★ WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY ★ COLLEGE OF WOOSTER

**NCAC Women's Indoor Track & Field Championships**  
**ALLEGHENY WINS FIFTH NORTH COAST TITLE;**  
**FOUR NCAC CHAMPIONSHIP RECORDS FALL**

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**GRANVILLE, Ohio** -- Allegheny won two events and added 10 top-three finishes to claim the team title at the 2002 North Coast Athletic Conference Women's Indoor Track & Field Championships, which were held March 1-2 at Denison's Mitchell Recreation and Athletics Center. The Gators won their first indoor track title since 1996.

Allegheny totaled 139.5 points to 133 for second-place Denison, which won five events and had won the previous four championships in a row. Oberlin, on the strength of 10 top-three finishes, was third with 122 points, followed by Wittenberg (79) in fourth and Wooster (53) in fifth. Ohio Wesleyan (35.5), Earlham (29), Hiram (17) and Kenyon (14) took places six through nine.

Allegheny was led by junior **Nicole Morandi (Tewksbury, MA/Tewksbury Memorial)**, who won the 5000 meters in conference-record time, smashing the old mark that had stood since 1994 by almost 30 seconds (17:47.43). She also placed second in the 3000 meters (10:35.71).

Wooster senior **Justina Williams (Los Angeles, CA/El Camino Real)** and Denison sophomore **Jackie Berner (Fredonia, NY/Fredonia)** took the other two MVP honors. Williams claimed her second straight indoor Field MVP honor after she successfully defended her title in the long jump (17-5 1/4) and was runner up in the triple jump (36-1 1/4). Berner successfully defended her title in the 200 meters with a conference-record time (25.82), was second in the 55 meters (7.35), and anchored the winning 4x200 meter relay.

Meet records were set in two other individual events by athletes from three different schools. Allegheny junior **Jen Surace (Bethel Park, PA/Bethel Park)** won the pole vault with a meet-record height of 10 feet, 1 inch. Oberlin junior **Courtney Stackhouse (Woodbridge, VA/Bishop Ireton)** won title in the 55 meters for the second time and broke her own conference championship record with a 7.30 clocking.

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<b>Team</b>	<b>Points</b>
1. Allegheny College .....	139.5
2. Denison University .....	133
3. Oberlin College .....	122
4. Wittenberg University .....	79
5. The College of Wooster .....	53
6. Ohio Wesleyan University .....	35.5
7. Earlham College .....	29
8. Hiram College .....	17
9. Kenyon College .....	14

**NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE**  
**2002 Women's Indoor Track & Field Championships**  
**Friday-Saturday, March 1-2 -- Granville, Ohio**

**LONG JUMP**

17' 5-1/4" Justina Williams, WOO  
16' 7-1/4" Kristen Mumper, WIT  
16 2-1/2" Melanie Cluss, DEN

**SHOT PUT**

40' 7" Becky Osborne, OWU  
40' 6-1/4" Laura Finkes, DEN  
37' 4-1/4" Carmen Batts-Porter, ERL

**HIGH JUMP**

5' 2-1/4" Emma Brown, HIR  
5' 1" Lindsey Hayes, ALL  
5' 1" Emily Enderle, OBE

**TRIPLE JUMP**

36' 3-1/2" Shannon Houlihan, OBE  
36' 1-1/4" Justina Williams, WOO  
35' 7-3/4" Kristen Mumper, WIT

**POLE VAULT**

10' 1" N Jen Surace, ALL  
9' 3-3/4" Amanda Wieland, DEN  
8' 11-3/4" Leigh Hutchison, WOO

**5000-METER RUN**

17:47.43 NM# Nicole Morandi, ALL  
18:00.19 # Laura Feeney, OBE  
18:43.13 Chelsea Benson, ALL

**800-METER RELAY**

1:46.01 DENISON  
[Korenich-Anthony-Nickel-Berner]  
1:46.26 ALLEGHENY  
1:52.84 OBERLIN

**1500-METER RUN**

4:51.69 Lindsey Ross, DEN  
4:52.47 Lindsey Shouey, ALL  
4:54.91 Julie Hufnagel, DEN

**MVP TRACK (SPRINTS/HURDLES)**

Jackie Berner, Denison

**MVP TRACK (MID DISTANCE/DISTANCE)**

Nicole Morandi, Allegheny

**MVP FIELD**

Justina Williams, Wooster

**COACH OF THE YEAR**

Bill Ross, Allegheny

**55-METER HURDLES**

8.63 # Melanie Cluss, DEN  
8.85 Apryl Wynn, OBE  
8.98 Emma Brown, HIR

**400-METER RUN**

58.75 # Nzinga Broussard, OBE  
59.09 # Akeya Terrell, OWU  
1:01.90 Brooke Woods, ALL

**55-METER DASH**

7.30 N# Courtney Stackhouse, OBE  
7.35 Jackie Berner, DEN  
7.47 Tashi Johnson, ERL

**800-METER RUN**

2:21.62 Kelli Zilli, WIT  
2:21.67 Allison Nickel, DEN  
2:22.29 Lindsey Hayes, ALL

**200-METER DASH**

25.82 NM Jackie Berner, DEN  
25.92 Nzinga Broussard, OBE  
26.52 Becky Rittenhouse, ALL

**3000-METER RUN**

10:22.39 Laura Feeney, OBE  
10:35.71 Nicole Morandi, ALL  
10:48.51 Lindsay Shouey, ALL

**DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY**

12:56.13 DENISON  
[Hufnagel-Jacob-Adams-Page]  
13:04.16 WOOSTER  
13:20.40 ALLEGHENY

**1600-METER RELAY**

4:07.84 OBERLIN  
[Dale-Collins-Bsworth-Broussard]  
4:10.69 DENISON  
4:10.95 WITTENBERG

**TEAM STANDINGS**

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*N NCAC Record*

*M Mitchell Field House Record*

*# NCAA Provisional Qualifier*