

800 METERS

1:49.27 ..Dylan Ferris (E Fors, Kernersville, NC) (2)
1:50.17 Andrew Perkins (Watertown, WI)
1:50.18 Aaron Stockstell (M-Pr, Wellman, Ia) (4)
1:50.51 *Howard Shepard (Skyline, Dallas, Tx)
1:50.92 .. Joseph Franklin (Godby, Tallahassee, FL) (3*)
1:50.98 Jared Hall (Cleveland Heights, Oh)
1:51.49 *Elijah Greer (Lake Oswego, Or)
1:51.58 Blake Shaw (Cypress Falls, Houston, Tx)
1:51.60 .. Andy Richardson (Irondale, N Brighton, Mn)
1:51.87 *Zachary Mellon (Buffalo, Mn)
1:51.8 Mat Smoody (Palatine, IL)
1:52.19 Jake Stephens (Mountain Brook, AL)

MILE

4:08.1 Dylan Ferris (E Forsyth, Kernersville, NC)
4:08.92+ .. *Mac Fleet (University City, San Diego, Ca)
4:08.99 Vince McNally (Con Vall, Lancaster, Pa)
4:09.36 Charles White (Ch Creek, Englewood, Co)
4:09.47+ Cory Leslie (Perkins, Sandusky, Oh)
4:10.30+ Joseph Franklin (Godby, Tallahassee, FL)
4:10.42 Brad Surh (Carlmont, Belmont, Ca)
4:10.49 Rob Finnerty (Burnsville, Mn)
4:10.73+ Colby Lowe (Carroll, Southlake, Tx)
4:11.15+ .. Sintayehu Taye (Cushing, Ashburnham, Ma)
4:11.18+ Blake Shaw (Cypress Falls, Houston, Tx)
4:11.25 Luke Puskedra (Judge, Salt Lake City, Ut)

2 MILES

8:55.16 Sean Keveren (Brentwood, Tn)
8:56.58 Girma Mecheso (Berkmar, Lilburn, Ga)
8:57.77+ Chris Derrick (Neuqua V, Naperville, IL)
8:58.79 Michael Fout (La Porte, In)
8:59.15 Rob Finnerty (Burnsville, Mn)
9:00.25 Luke Puskedra (Judge, Salt Lake City, Ut)
9:02.93+ Colby Lowe (Carroll, Southlake, Tx)
9:03.44+ Kevil Havel (Hersey, Arlington Hts, IL)
9:05.21 Maverick Darling (Ovid-Elsie, Elsie, Mn)
9:05.84+ Donald Cabral (Glastonbury, Ct)
9:07.13+ Joey Bywater (Lake Stevens, Wa)
9:07.16 Ryan Hill (Hickory, NC)

110 HURDLES

13.65 *Wayne Davis (Southeast, Raleigh, NC) (3)
13.70 Barrett Nugent (N Vermillion, Maurice, La)
13.72/13.69w William Wynne (McE, P Springs, Ga)
13.74 Spencer Adams (Butler, Matthews, NC)
13.79 Ray Polk (Brophy, Phoenix, Az)
13.88/13.73w Booker Nunley (Garner, NC)
13.99 Marcus Pope (Andrews, SC)
14.01 Thylar Sipes (Bloomington, IL)
14.03 *Chance Casey (Crosby, Tx)
14.06 .. D'Juan Richardson (Warren C, Indianapolis, In)
14.11/13.93w .. *Cameron LaCour (Atasc, Humble, Tx)
14.19/13.92w Nick McCloud (Lee, Tyler, Tx)
14.09 Spencer Adams (Butler, Charlotte)

300 HURDLES

35.68/49.70 .. William Wynne (McE, P Springs, Ga) (3)
35.90/50.10 *Reggie Wyatt (N, Riverside, Ca) (5)
36.04/52.16 ... Spencer Adams (Butler, Matthews, NC)
36.72/51.56 Trey Charles (Marietta, Ga) (3*)
36.93/52.22 .. Jamele Mason (Westfield, Houston, Tx)
36.94 Ben Davies (Academy, Brentwood, Tn)
37.01 Olarenwaju Adeyemi (Southridge, Miami, FL)
37.19 .. Amaechi Morton (Riverw, Sandy Springs, Ga)
37.32/52.22 *Chance Casey (Crosby, Tx)
37.38 Ray Polk (Brophy, Phoenix, Az)
37.40 Barrett Nugent (N Vermillion, Maurice, La)
37.44 *Damien Thigpen (Jackson, Manassas, Va)

RELAYS

As always, graduation has affected relays as many teams lose more than one key member.

In the 4x1, Texas always can come up with talented quartets. No. 2 All-America Hightower (Sugar Land) returns two

middle legs off its 40.57 squad. No. 4 Garland returns three from its 40.68 unit, including ace anchor Jacques Caldwell. And the same three run on Garland's 1:24.03 4x2 squad.

In the 4x4, most of the top listed teams return no more than two runners and none of the top anchors are back. But Washington (Miami) returns its entire 3:13.96 team, as well as members from another 3:14 squad.

And the 3:14.06 Cleveland Heights (Ohio) team returns three, but not the anchor.

In the longer relays, Cleveland Heights could rule the 4x8 as it returns three from its 7:40.72 team, the No. 2 All-America squad. That includes sub-1:51 anchor Jared Hall.

However, Danbury (Connecticut) returns its entire 7:42.25 team, the No. 7 national time last year. A 7:35 could be possible, which would be 4.0 faster than the '07 leader.

No DM team returns more than two runners but Danbury had a great cross country team and could show well.

New Bern (North Carolina) returns three from its '07-leading 3:24.5 sprint medley but the HSR 3:21.15 is still a long way away.

North Carolina's Dylan Ferris checks in on top at 1:49.27 and 4:08.1.

FERRIS TOPS 800 & MILE

THE LEADING middle-distance returner is just getting used to the crowds. Dylan Ferris didn't see many of them nearby while he was doing most of his racing last spring for East Forsyth of Kernersville, North Carolina, where he won both the state 800 and 1600 titles by 4-second margins.

But that changed when he started competing at the national level and then moved up to international.

Ferris earned No. 2 All-America 800 status last year after running well in domestic post-season meets (3rd Nike Outdoor Nationals; 4th USATF Juniors; 1st USATF Youth).

He made the World Youth final and would have benefited from a little less congestion in the Czech race.

Michael Riley, the East Forsyth coach, says his star pupil had a chance to bring back a gold, but got tripped up a bit, finishing 8th in a race where the winning time was a half-second slower than his PR of 1:49.27.

The experience will be put to good use.

"It helps him with how to race in different situations," Riley says.

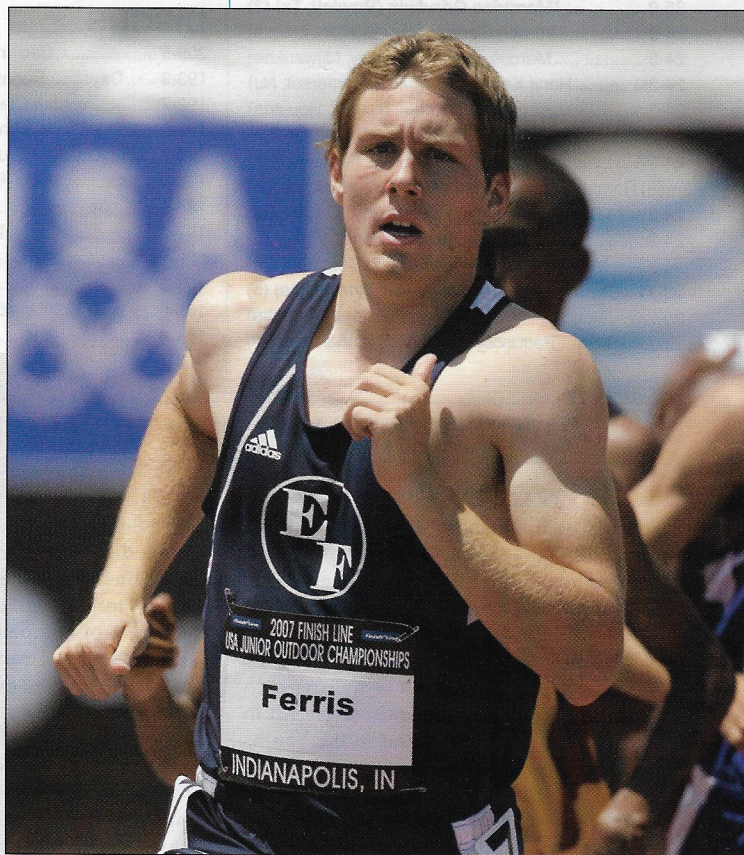
"It's nice for him to get into an event where there's a little more bump. The best thing he got out of it was that now he has a better idea of how to race when it's crowded."

Ferris didn't run the mile in the post-season events, but is the fastest returning four-lapper. To add strength to his 800 emphasis, he'll be racing more mile events and doubling more often in '08.

With the indoor season upon us Michael Granville's national undercover record of 1:50.55 is mentioned. "I know it's on his radar

screen," Riley says, but keeping it in perspective adds, "but it's a pretty lofty goal."

New record or not, Riley already credits Ferris with doing his part to raise the level of expectations for preps in his state: "He's helped changed the perception of what good is in North Carolina." /Steve Bailey/



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