



2016 SEC Outdoor Track and Field Championships

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EVENT RECAPS: DAY THREE (Saturday, May 14)

Women's High Jump

SEC Champion: Madeline Fagan, Georgia

Georgia sophomore Madeline Fagan won the women's high jump with a clearance of 6-0.5 (1.84m). Fagan maintained a clean performance, clearing the bar on her first attempt at every height until 6-1.5 (1.87m). This is Fagan's first SEC high jump championship. She finished as the runner-up in the event at the 2016 SEC indoor championships with a clearance of 5-11.5 (1.82m) and finished 10th at the Indoor NCAA championships in the event with a jump of 5-11.5 (1.81m). Alabama freshman Claire Orcel finished as the runner-up with a personal-best clearance of 6-0.5 (1.84m). Orcel cleared both 6-0.5 and 5-10.75 (1.80m) on her third attempt. Mississippi State senior Erica Bougard finished third with a clearance of 5-10.75 (1.80m). Bougard won the heptathlon on Friday and is slated to compete in the 100-meter hurdles finals later today. Georgia senior and two-time NCAA champion in the event Leontia Kallenou finished fourth with a jump of 5-10.75 (1.80m) with one more miss than Bougard at that height. Alabama freshman Stacey Destin and Mississippi State sophomore Logan Boss both cleared 5-8.75 (1.75m) on their first attempts to finish tied for fifth.

Women's Discus

SEC Champion: Shelbi Vaughn, Texas A&M

Texas A&M senior Shelbi Vaughn won the women's discus competition, marking her fourth outdoor championship title in the event for the Aggies. Vaughn claimed the victory on her first throw with a toss of 197-0 (60.05m), which set a new facility record at Sam Bailey Track and Field Stadium. The two-time NCAA discus champion won the event throwing a mark that bested the field by more than 12 feet. On the sixth round of competition, Ole Miss sophomore Raven Saunders jumped to a second-place finish with a toss of 184-6 (56.24m). This is Saunders' second medal this weekend, after claiming the women's shot put title yesterday for the Rebels. Senior Rachel Dinoff of Auburn finished third with her second-attempt throw of 180-10 (55.12m). This was Dinoff's highest SEC Championship finish in the discus throw.

Women's Triple Jump

SEC Champion: Keturah Orji, Georgia

Georgia sophomore Keturah Orji is the back to back women's outdoor triple jump champion recording a leap of 47-10 .75 (14.60m). Her winning mark is the second-farthest wind-aided mark in the world and the fifth-best jump in the world in all weather conditions. The two-time All-American's second-best mark of the day was 46-6.75 (14.19m), which stands as the fourth-best collegiate mark in NCAA history, while her winning jump ties Erica McLain from Stanford for the best wind-aided triple jump performance by a collegiate in the NCAA – a mark which was set in 2008. Since she became a Bulldog in 2014-15, she has won every triple jump title at the SEC Indoor and Outdoor Championships. During the competition, the two-time NCAA Champion broke the Sam Bailey Stadium record three times, once in her first jump of the day of 46-0 (14.02m), second in round three with a leap of 46-6.75 (14.19m), and third with her final leap of the competition. In second place was Simone Charley, a junior from Vanderbilt University, with a 45-0.5 (13.73m) performance produced in round two and South Carolina junior Natasha Dicks landed in third place with a 44-2 (13.46m) effort.

Men's Pole Vault

SEC Champion: Jake Blankenship, Tennessee

Tennessee senior Jake Blankenship defended his 2015 SEC crown in the men's pole vault with a new facility record of 18-6.5 (5.65m) in a thrilling event finish. Blankenship and Texas A&M sophomore Audie Wyatt vied for the top spot in the event. Wyatt led Blankenship through 18-3.25 (5.57m) when he cleared the bar on his first attempt. Blankenship elected to pass his last two attempts at that height after missing his first attempt. Blankenship then cleared the winning height on his first attempt with Wyatt missing on his first try. Wyatt passed his next two attempts and the bar moved to 18-8.25 (5.70m). Blankenship missed his first attempt and Wyatt missed his remaining two to end his day. Tennessee has now won the pole vault title 13 times in the last 27 years, dating back to 1991. Missouri freshman Matthew Ludwig had a clean day through 17-5 (5.31m) to finish third. Tennessee senior Tyler Porter finished fourth with a second-attempt clearance at 17-1 (5.21m). Texas

A&M freshman Jacob Wooten and sophomore Carl Johansson tied for fifth by clearing 17-1 (5.21m) on their third attempts.

Women's 4x100m relay

SEC Champion: LSU

The four-person team from LSU ran the 12th-fastest time in collegiate history by recording a winning score of 42.77 to win the SEC Championship. The winning team of Mikiah Brisco, Kourtnei Johnson, Jada Martin and Rushell Harvey ran the third-fastest time in the world this year on their way to setting a facility record, defeating South Carolina's 43.33 set back in 2007. The Tigers topped South Carolina's of 43.33 set back in 2007. Texas A&M's team of Jennifer Madu, Krystal Sparling, Brenessa Thompson and Aaliyah Brown finished with second in a time of 42.94, which tied for the 15th-fastest time in collegiate history. Kentucky placed third in a time of 43.55, followed by Alabama in fourth at 43.70, which stands as tied for third-best in school history, and Tennessee in fifth at 44.21.

Men's 4x100m relay

SEC Champion: LSU

The LSU men gave the Tigers a sweep of the men's and women's 4x400m relays as the team of Jaron Flournoy, Renard Howell, Tremayne Acy and Nethaneel Mitchell-Blake won with a time of 38.33. That time ranked sixth in collegiate history while also setting a new SEC Championship and Sam Bailey Stadium record. Arkansas placed second in a time of 38.96, while Alabama ran a time of 39.04, which was the eighth-fastest time in school history. Tennessee (39.12) and Auburn (39.21) rounded out the top five.

Women's 1,500m

SEC Champion: Marta Freitas, Mississippi State

Mississippi State senior Marta Freitas won the 1,500 meter finals with a time of 4:24, overtaking Arkansas senior Dominique Scott on the back stretch. Freitas won the 2016 indoor SEC championship in the mile. She is also slated to compete in the 800 meter finals and the 5,000 meters later today. Scott, the defending 1,500-meter SEC champion, clocked a time of 4:25.15 to finish second. Missouri sophomore Karissa Schweizer ran 4:29.08 to claim third place. Alabama senior Meropi Panagiotou ran 4:30.21 to finish fourth just ahead Florida sophomore Taylor Tubbs who ran 4:30.22 to finish fifth.

Men's 1,500m

SEC Champion: Craig Engels, Ole Miss

The final field of 12 runners included five Ole Miss runners led by junior Craig Engels, and it was Engels who etched his name into the Rebels' record book by becoming the first Ole Miss winner of the outdoor 1,500 meters. Engels and fellow Ole Miss junior Robert Domanic took the first two positions in the race just ahead of Jack Bruce of Arkansas and Alabama's Robbie Farnham-Rose. Sean Tobin of Ole Miss was fifth and Blair Henderson of LSU took sixth. Will Crocker of Missouri, the lone senior in the race, was seventh while Ole Miss's Derek Gutierrez took the last scoring spot in eighth place. The race was tight from start to finish as the pack never truly separated. At the 900-meter mark, Bruce ran to the lead with Engels second and Farnham-Rose a close third ahead of Crocker. Entering the bell lap, Bruce, Engles, and Farnham-Rose were in a virtual tie after Bruce ran a 59.38 third lap. Bruce, the tallest runner in the field, forged in front and threatened to stretch his lead before the diminutive Farnham-Rose made a run to challenge with about 300 meters to go. Blair Henderson of LSU made a charge for the lead with around 250 to go with Engels and Domanic beginning to make a push. As they entered the final turn, Crocker began to fade while Farnham-Rose and Engels began to close on Bruce. Out of the final turn, Engels and Domanic made their final bid for the lead. Engels pushed past Bruce in the final 80 meters with Domanic close behind. Engels won it in 3:50.71 with Domanic second in 3:50.92. Bruce held on to third by a whisker ahead of a diving Farnham-Rose by .01 (3:51.10 to 3:51.11). Ole Miss picked up 23 team points in the event, finishing 1-2-5-8.

Women's Pole Vault

SEC Champion: Alexis Weeks, Arkansas

A pair of Arkansas freshmen earned the top two spots in the 2016 SEC women's pole vault. Alexis Weeks took home the SEC crown, marking the eighth Arkansas pole vault title in the last 10 years. Weeks also won this year's NCAA indoor title in the women's pole vault along with the SEC indoor title. The freshman earned her second SEC title in impressive fashion, setting a new facility record of 4.57m (15.0), which bests the previous record set by Neal Tisher of Ole Miss in 2012 with a mark of 4.14m (13.7). Week's mark is the third-best winning mark in SEC outdoor championship history. Victoria Weeks took home the runner-up title, posting a mark of 4.30m (14-1.25). She cleared the bar on her first attempt to finish ahead of Auburn's Jessie Johnson who also cleared 4.30m (14-1.25) but on her third attempt. Arkansas senior Megan Zimlich secured

fourth place with a third-attempt clearance of 4.30m (14-1.25). She finished behind Johnson due to a miss at 4.00m (13-1.25). Tennessee's Kristen Denk was the third freshman in the top five, clearing 4.15m (13-7.25) to finish fifth overall.

Men's Triple Jump

SEC Champion: Clive Pullen, Arkansas

Arkansas junior Clive Pullen won the men's triple jump with a leap of 55-0.75 (16.78m). He is the first Arkansas athlete to win the event since Nikosinza Balumbu won the title in 2008. Clive also won the indoor NCAA and indoor SEC title in 2016. Texas A&M senior Latario Collie finished as the runner-up with a best mark of 54-11.5 (16.75m). Alabama junior Jermiah Green finished third with a jump of 53-3.75 (16.25m). He was followed by Missouri sophomore John Warren who jumped 52-5.25 (15.98m). Texas A&M senior Lathone Collie rounded out the top five with a first-round jump of 52-1.25 (15.88m).

Women's 100m Hurdles

SEC Champion: Jasmine Camacho-Quinn

Kentucky freshman Jasmine Camacho-Quinn ran a time of 12.69 to win the SEC championship in the women's 100m hurdles. Her time was just off the top marks in the nation, but it ranked second-fastest in the NCAA this season and broke a Sam Bailey Stadium record which she set just 24 hours prior. With the victory, Camacho-Quinn becomes the first freshman to win the an SEC title in the event since Jasmin Stowers won as a rookie in 2011. Kentucky has now won the event three consecutive years. Georgia's Kendell Williams placed second in a time of 13 seconds flat, while Kentucky's Jacklyn Howell placed third in a time of 13.09. Mikiah Brisco of LSU finished fourth in the event with a time of 13.11, followed by fifth-place finisher Valerie Thomas of Missouri (13.18). Alabama's Vanessa Clerveaux placed seventh overall with a time of 13.29, which was a personal-best and seventh-fastest time in Alabama history. Mississippi State's Erica Bougard was seventh, while Arkansas' Payton Stumbaugh rounded out the scorers with a time of 13.86 to place eighth.

Men's Discus

SEC Champion: Daniel Haugh, Alabama

The Alabama Crimson Tide discus throwers finished the event with a 1-2-3-5 punch. This is the first time this year that one team finished in the top-three positions at the Outdoor SEC Championship meet. In total, the male discus throwers contributed 28 points for the Crimson Tide, the most points collected by one team in an SEC Championship throwing event in 2016. Redshirt Freshman Daniel Haugh won the event with a personal best throw of 195-3 (59.53m) in the sixth round. This is the first SEC title for the redshirt freshman and his second SEC medal in his track and field career. Redshirt freshman Kord Ferguson finished runner-up in the discus throw with a mark of 191-11 (58.51m) produced in the second round of competition. Junior Joe Williams landed in third with his first toss of the day of 191-7 (58.39m). Fourth place went to Texas A&M's Jeff Bartlett (184-9), while the Crimson Tide's Hayden Reed finished fifth at 182-4 (55.58m).

Men's 110m Hurdles

SEC Champion: Jordan Moore, LSU

After a recalled start, junior Jordan Moore from LSU wins the 110 hurdles title. The LSU Tiger ran a wind legal time of 13.53 that edged him to victory by .01 seconds. Moore is the fourth LSU runner to win the event in school history joining Orlando McDaniel (1980), Bernard Williams (1985), and Barrett Nugent (2010-12). The Georgia-native wins his second SEC title of the year after winning the 60m hurdles at the 2016 Indoor SEC Championships. Senior Dondre Echols from South Carolina comes in second place, recording a season best time of 13.54 and collects his second silver medal in the event in his career. Junior Nick Anderson from Kentucky finished in third place crossing the finish line in 13.60. Arkansas' Devon Anderson placed fourth in a time of 13.82, while South Carolina's Jermaine Collier rounded out the top five with a time of 13.92.

Men's High Jump

SEC Champion: Branden Greene, Ole Miss

Branden Greene of Ole Miss claimed the SEC Outdoor title in the high jump with a leap of 7-2.25 (2.19m). Greene became the second Ole Miss athlete to win the title and the fourth overall. Former standout Ricky Robertson won the event three times (2010, 2011 and 2014). Arkansas junior Ken LeGassey finished runner up with a matching leap of 7-2.25 (2.19m), but did so in more jump attempts to result in the second-place finish. Seth Peace from Mississippi State placed third at 7-0.25 (2.15m), while Alabama's Justin Fondren was fourth due to more attempts with a similar leap of 7-0.25. Xavier McAllister from Kentucky, Wesley Edwards from Tennessee and Justin Kretchmer from Kentucky placed fifth through seventh, respectively.

Women's 400m

SEC Champion: Taylor Ellis-Watson, Arkansas

Arkansas' Taylor Ellis-Watson ran a 50.81 to win the race and repeat as SEC Outdoor champion in the 400m. Ellis-Watson's time of 50.81 not only set a new Sam Bailey Stadium record, but ranks as the second fastest times in NCAA Division I this year and was just shy of the SEC meet record of 50.63 set by Miki Barber of South Carolina in 2001. Felecia Majors of Tennessee finished runner-up with a time of 51.29, followed by Florida's Robin Reynolds in a time of 52 seconds flat. Aliyah Abrams, who was a member of South Carolina's 4x100m team, placed fourth in a time of 52.04 and in fifth place was Alabama's Alex Gholston with a time of 52.04. Rounding out the scorers were Daina Harper of Arkansas (52.57), Briyahna Desrosiers of Texas A&M (52.93) and Rachel Misher of LSU (52.98), respectively.

Men's 400m

SEC Champion: Kahmari Montgomery, Missouri

Missouri Freshman Kahmari Montgomery won his first outdoor SEC championship in the 400 meters. Montgomery claimed the indoor SEC title in the event earlier this year. His time of 45.13 is second-fastest in the NCAA in 2016. Montgomery is the first Missouri athlete to win an SEC championship in this event outdoors. LSU junior Michael Cherry ran 45.22 to finish as the runner up and his teammate, senior Fitzroy Dunkley, crossed the line just behind in 45.34. Florida senior Arman Hall finished fourth with a time of 45.43. Texas A&M junior Fred Kerley claimed fifth in a time of 45.61.

Women's 100m

SEC Champion: Kyra Jefferson, Florida

Florida junior Kyra Jefferson took home the 100 meter dash crown with a time of 11.28. Jefferson was the 2015 NCAA indoor champion in the 200 meters and won the 200 meters at the 2015 SEC Indoor Championships. She also owns both the indoor and outdoor school records for Florida in the 200 meters. She is the second Florida runner to win the event, joining Michelle Freeman who won the title in 1992. LSU freshman Kortnei Johnson ran 11.29 to finish as the runner-up. Tennessee senior Felicia Brown took home third with a time of 11.32. Brown was followed by Texas A&M freshman Krystal Sparling who ran 11.36. LSU junior Jada Martin rounded out the top five, running 11.40.

Men's 100m

SEC Champion: Nethaneel Mitchell-Blake, LSU

LSU's Nethaneel Mitchell-Blake captured the 100m SEC Outdoor Championship in a time of 10.16. In doing so, he became the first Tiger to win the race since Trindon Holiday in 2009. Mitchell-Blake defeated runner-up Christian Coleman of Tennessee by three-tenths of a second (10.19), with Missouri's Markesh Woodson placing third in a time of 10.20. Arkansas' Jarrion Lawson placed fourth in a time of 10.24 followed by his teammate Kenzo Cotton (10.28). Tremayne Acy of LSU (10.29), Ryan Clark of Florida (10.32) and Mustaqeem Williams of Tennessee (10.33) rounded out the scorers in the event.

Women's 800m

SEC Champion: Ariah Graham, Kentucky

Kentucky junior Ariah Graham won the women's 800 meters with a time of 2:03.63. She is the first Kentucky SEC Outdoor champion in this event. Graham finished second at the 2016 Indoor SEC championships. Texas A&M freshman Jazmine Fray ran 2:04.18 to finish second. LSU junior Morgan Schuetz finished third with a time of 2:04.19. Vanderbilt sophomore Courtney Clayton followed with a time of 2:07.78 and Ceara Watson finished fifth, running 2:07.92.

Men's 800m

SEC Champion: Brandon McBride, Mississippi State

The No. 1-ranked 800m runner in Division-I Brandon McBride set a new facility record with a time of 1:45.68 to claim the 800m SEC Outdoor title. McBride's time was just off the SEC meet record of 1:45.27, which was set by Otukile Lekote of South Carolina in 2002. McBride won the same event at the 2014 SEC Outdoor title and remains the only Bulldog to win the event at the outdoor championships. McBride defeated Hector Hernandez of Texas A&M, who previously owned the facility record which he set just a day ago in the preliminaries. Hernandez's teammate Donavan Brazier placed third in a time of 1:46.19, followed by Georgia's Christian Harrison (1:46.69) and Arkansas' Ryan Thomas (1:47.62).

Women's 400m Hurdles

SEC Champion: Shamier Little, Texas A&M

Junior Shamier Little from Texas A&M repeated as the SEC Outdoor champion in the 400m hurdles with a time of 54.72. The time now leads the NCAA for the year and ranks as the fourth-fastest time in the event in the world, while also setting a new Sam Bailey Stadium record. LSU's Chanice Chase was the runner-up with a time of 56.17. Kiah Seymour from Kentucky placed third in a time of 56.61, while Florida's Claudia Francis was just a tenth of a second behind to finish fourth in a time of 56.62. LSU's Ka'Lynn Jupiter placed fifth in the event in a time of 57.66, followed by Missouri's Valerie Thames (57.72), South Carolina's Tyler Brockington (58.06) and Arkansas' DamaJahnee Birch (58.13).

Men's 400m Hurdles

SEC Champion: Eric Futch, Florida

The men's 400-meter hurdles competition consisted of a strong field with four of the top seven fastest hurdlers in the NCAA that competed in this year's finals. Emerging from that elite group was junior Eric Futch from Florida who won the competition with a personal best time of 49.24. That is the No. 2 fastest collegiate time in the country this year and he moves up six spots on the world list landing at No. 15. He is the first Florida runner since 2005 to win the event and recorded the fastest winning time since 2009. Sophomore Robert Grant from Texas A&M finished in the runner-up position with a 49.44 effort and remains at No. 3 on the national NCAA list. Junior TJ Holmes from Florida landed in third crossing the finish line in 49.96 which moves him up to the No. 4 spot on the national NCAA list.

Women's 200m

SEC Champion: Felicia Brown, Tennessee

Senior Felicia Brown from Tennessee took home the SEC Championship title in the 200-meter dash. The Lady Volunteer crossed the finish line with a personal best time of 22.26, which is the No.1 fastest 200-meter performance by a collegiate this year. Her time is the 10th-best effort in collegiate history and ties the second-fastest time in the world. This is her second medal from the 2016 SEC Outdoor Championships after she finished in third in the 100-meter dash. Senior Taylor Ellis-Watson finished in second place with a time of 22.48. Last year, the four-time All-American won the 2015 SEC Outdoor Championship title in the 400 meters. Lastly, junior Jada Martin from LSU landed in third recording time of 22.60.

Men's 200m

SEC Champion: Nethaneel Mitchell-Blake, LSU

LSU's Nethaneel Mitchell-Blake won his second SEC Outdoor crown on Saturday by sweeping both the 100m and 200m titles. Mitchell-Blake's 200m time of 19.95 was the top mark in the NCAA this year, third-best in the world and tied for sixth in collegiate history. It also set a Sam Bailey Stadium record. Mitchell-Blake finished just ahead of his teammate junior Renard Howell, who was runner up in a time of 20.15. Florida's Arman Hall placed third in a time of 20.34, followed by Auburn's Kahil Henderson at 20.43. Tennessee's Christian Coleman placed fifth in a time of 20.45, while Arkansas' Jarrion Lawson (20.56), LSU's Tinashe Mutanga (20.60) and Texas A&M's Elijah Morrow (20.74) rounded out the scorers, respectively.

Women's 5,000m

SEC Champion: Dominique Scott, Arkansas

Senior Dominique Scott is the back-to-back 5,000m SEC Champion. The Arkansas Razorback wins the competition with a time of 16:10.62, which breaks the Sam Bailey Track and Field Stadium record set back in 1989 by Sammie Resh of Nebraska. This is the third straight year that Arkansas has won this event at the championships. The seven-time first team All-American collects her seventh SEC Championship and her third in the 5,000 meters. Junior Chelsea Blaase finished in second place crossing the finish line with 16:16.97. She placed second at the 2016 SEC Cross Country Championships and won the 3,000 meter and 5,000 meter titles at the 2016 Indoor SEC Championships. Sophomore Karissa Schweizer landed at the No. 3 spot with a 16:17.82 effort.

Men's 5,000m

SEC Champion: Jacob Thompson, Kentucky

Kentucky's Jacob Thompson pulled off the distance double by claiming the victory in both the men's 5,000m on Saturday after winning the 10,000m on Thursday night. Thompson won with a time of 13:54.27, bettering Ole Miss teammates Ryan Walling (13:56.21) and MJ Erb (14:05.23). Arkansas' Alex George placed fourth in a time of 14:08.05, while Alabama's Antibahs Kosgei rounded out the top five with a time of 14:08.08. Arkansas teammates rounded out the scoring runners with Austen Dalquist (14:17.43), Cale Wallace (14:20.22) and Jack Bruce (14:25.08), finishing sixth, seventh and eighth, respectively.

Women's 4x400m

SEC Champion: Florida

An outstanding anchor leg propelled the Florida Gators foursome of Robin Reynolds, Sharikka Barnett, Taylor Sharpe and Claudia Francis to a comeback win in the women's 4x400m race with a winning time of 3:29.32. Francis, who ran the team's anchor leg, was able to catch South Carolina's Precious Holmes down the back stretch that pushed the Gators to their second straight SEC crown in the event. The Gamecocks foursome of Aliya Abrams, Erika Rucker, Tyler Brockington and Holmes finished in a time of 3:29.54 and led the event until the final 200 meters when Francis made her move. Tennessee placed third in a time of 3:30.18, followed by Kentucky (3:30.27) and LSU (3:31.65). Texas A&M (3:32.83), Alabama (3:33.80) and Arkansas (3:34.13) also scored points for their respective teams.

Men's 4x400m

SEC Champion: LSU

LSU's team of LaMar Bruton, Michael Cherry, Cyril Grayson and Fitzroy Dunkley set an SEC championship record and facility record with a time of 3:00.48, as the Tigers won the 4x400m outdoor title for the first time since 2007 and the sixth time overall. The Tigers led the field wire-to-wire as they bested runner-up and defending champion Florida (3:03.36) by more than two seconds. Texas A&M placed third in the event in a time of 3:03.50, while Tennessee (3:04.24) and Mississippi State (3:05.38) rounded out the top five. Georgia (3:06.09), Arkansas (3:08.49) and South Carolina (3:09.67) also scored points for their respective teams.