

# BC looks to new track and hosting nationals

For the first time ever, Brevard College will host the national cross country championships.

The National Junior College Athletic Association Men's and Women's National Cross Country Championships will be run on Saturday, Nov. 17.

Cross Country Coach Dave Rinker says that the school's dominance in the junior college ranks "supplied us with the pull to bring something like this to the area." BC won the NJCAA men's cross country championships four times during the '80s.

The College will be the race headquarters, while the races themselves will be run 12 miles out of town on Guion Farm owned by DuPont.

Coach Rinker is the National Championship Meet Director until the actual day of the meet, when he will be busy coaching. Last year, the BC men finished third and the women, seventh. The year before, both men's and women's teams finished fifth, but the day was brightened with Alice Gaines of BC winning the individual women's championship. The BC men placed first and the women second in 1987, and Coach Rinker was named Coach of the Year.

Brevard College's Dean of Students and former cross country coach Norm Witek will act as the meet day director.

"This is a great honor for Brevard College," said Jock Lauterer, director of public information. "This will be the largest sporting event of national scope ever to take place at BC."

The meet will bring approximately 24 men's teams and approximately 16 women's teams to campus. Rinker estimates that close to 400 runners, coaches, fans and family will be here for the XC nationals.

Presently, Rinker is working on organizing the national meet. He invites anyone will to work at concession stands or with the meet administration to contact him.

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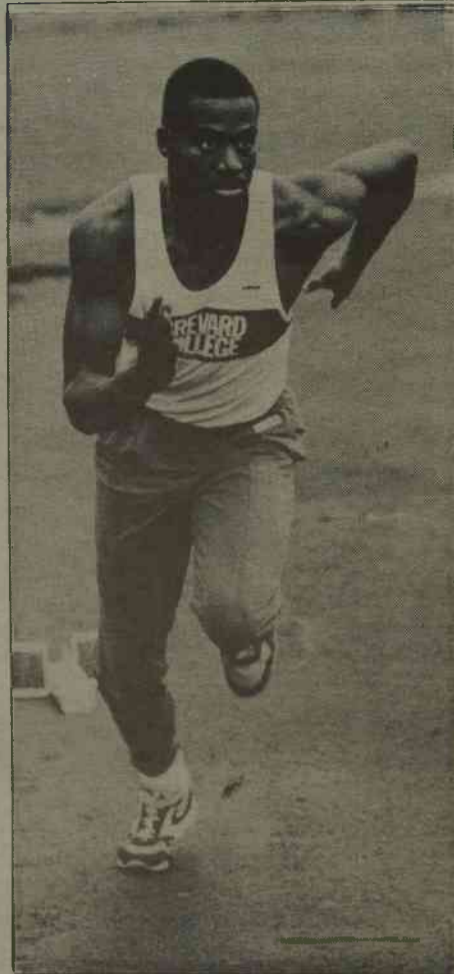
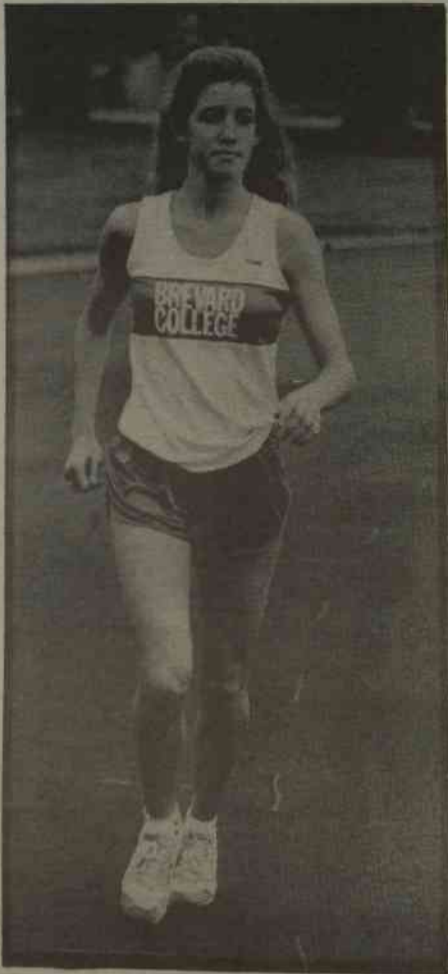
### Get set for Mr. BC Contest

You've heard of Miss Brevard College... now it's time for MR. BC.

Student Activities is help sponsor the second annual contest, which is being staged on Thursday, May 3, at 8 p.m. in Dunham Auditorium as a fundraiser for Charlotte Safrit, this year's Miss Brevard College.

Charlotte will open the show with a fashion demonstration, and then the Men of BC will appear in talent, bathing suit and evening gown competition.

To enter, see either Charlotte or last year's Mr. B.C., Dino Locklear, who is helping to stage the event. Admission is \$1. "It'll be a fun pageant," says Dino.



Outstanding runners at BC recently: Williams Mills and Heather Weldon set school records in their events.

(Clarion photos by Jock Lauterer)

## BC runners excelling

by Angela Williams  
Clarion Reporter

The Brevard College runners are looking good in the outdoor season. The Tornadoes have competed at many invitational meets. There were a few outstanding runners at these meets.

William Mills has been running extremely well in both the 100 and 200 meter races. He has missed national qualifying by less than one second, but plans to qualify for both races very soon.

"We should have a strong 4x400 in the national meet," said Mills. He would like everyone to know that he is not just an athlete but a student. "Not only are my goals athletic, but academic. I would like to possibly break the world's record in the 200 and 100 meter races. Academically, I would like to graduate with a 3.0," said Mills. "Before I leave Brevard, I want to have a feeling of confidence in everything I attempt," he added. So far, Mills is headed in the right direction.

Bill Mantooth is not only humorous, he is also talented. He made national qualifying in his first meet at the Georgia relays.

The 3000 steeplechase is not an easy race, but BC runner Billy Ray makes it look easy. To those who don't know

what this race is, Mantooth explains, "It's a race where you have to run over 28 barriers into water and through a water jump seven times in a distance of 3000 meters."

He's looking at breaking the BC record held by Bob Gray since 1968. "I want to qualify for the Olympic trials," said Mantooth.

Mark Crellen missed national qualifying by a few seconds. "We have a real good chance to qualify in the 4x100 and 4x400 relays," said Crellen. his personal goal is to break 1:50.00 in the 800 meter run.

Craig Goodroe is showing talent in both the 1500 and 800 meter races. He qualified for nationals in the 1500.

Coach Dave Rinker feels this year's team will do well. "From a team basis," said Rinker, "we would like to finish in the top 5 in the national championships, and bring home a team trophy." So far so good. "I think we have a more well rounded team. We have strength in the men's sprints and hurdles and as always, a good distance program. I don't think it's important that everyone be a national champion. Everyone should have a dream and a goal. It's easy to be average, but to work towards greatness is the real goal," said Rinker.

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At last the Brevard Runners will be able to practice on a new track. The exact date of availability of the new track is unknown at this time. The old track, constructed in 1961, was dangerous and unusable from a competition standpoint. The new track was donated by Richard Thomas Breeden, Jr., who is a trustee at BC.

The track will be a polyurethane surface and black rubberized with six lanes. BC will have one of the fastest, if not *the* fastest track in Western Carolina.

"In the future we want to head several collegiate and high school meets," says Coach Dave Rinker. "During the summer we would like to develop a program for general recreation for all age groups."

BC will host several meets in the spring of 1991. The new track will be open to the general population of BC and the community. "To increase the longevity of the new track," Coach Rinker explains, "the three outside lanes are to be used by non-BC runners, the three inside lanes should be used by the runners in practice."

Because of the wear and tear put on the track this would be appreciated. The runners are looking forward to the new track. Because of the construction on the track, the sprinters were put behind on track training.

"We were behind the other schools as far as track work-outs," said Donald Bolton. Most of the work-outs were restricted to the soccer field. The runway for the long and triple jump has just recently been in use. "We haven't had much of a chance to work on our steps and techniques," said Bolton. The returning runners and sprinters are looking forward to setting records on their home track.

## Juggler to perform at BC

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Professional juggler and entertainer Mark Lippard is coming to Brevard. He will perform Weds., May 2, at 5 p.m. on the patio of A.G. Myers Dining Hall.

ARA will provide an ice cream dessert bar during the performance. In case of rain, the performance will take place inside the dining hall. After the show, Mark will teach juggling skills at a juggling workshop. The workshop will take place at 7 p.m. in front of Jones and Beam dorms.