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____Sports BC track and field show improvement at **Emory Invitational**

by Emily Hulse Special to The Clarion

Six female and four male runners competed at the Emory Invitational in Atlanta, Georgia on March 31 and April 1.

Despite humid, hot conditions, several athletes ran personal bests during this meet.

Starting off the running events Friday evening were senior Emily Hulse and sophomore Jesse McEntire. These two athletes competed in the 3000m steeplechase. Hulse jumped her way to a 5th place finish with a time of 12:08. This performance was recognized as a new women's school record. Jesse McEntire ran/hurdled a strong race, finishing in 12th place with a time of 10:24. Quartrail Tucker also competed in the high jump Friday evening. This was only



his second time ever competing in this event.

Saturday, four athletes started off the morning with one of the longest races on the track, the 5k. This 3.1 mile race circles around the track a long and hard 12.5 times. On the women's side, junior Sara Harris showed strong improvement with a best ever time of 21:46. Freshman Alycia Andrade battled the heat and also worked her way to a personal best time of 22:06. Junior Andrew King and Freshman Tim Panneri competed on the mon's side in this race. King's time was 18:09 and Panneri's -18:17.

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Four athletes competed in the 1500 meter run at noon on Saturday. On the men's side, Jesse McEntire ran a time of 4:23. This was senior Matt Owen's first event of the season, running a time of 4:37. Hulse and freshman Tiffany Gnann also competed in this event running times of 5:11and 6:17 respectively. Both these times managed to rank in these girls personal best times.

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Freshmen Nikki Rivera and Jenna Myers also ran personal bests in the painfully grueling 800 meter run. Rivera competed her way to a strong finish with a time of 2:44. Myers raced her way to a time of 2:51.

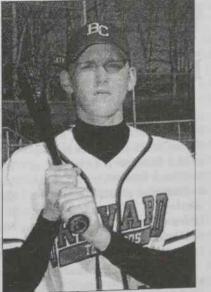
Baseball loses thriller at Southern Wesleyan

BC baseball looked to rebound on April 5 against Southern Wesleyan University, following two losses at Mars Hill the day before.

The Tornados sent Freshman Spencer Linn to the mound for his first collegiate start. Linn has seen nearly every inning this season from third base and, because of this, has only thrown in short relief situations. Linn cruised through the first 4 innings, allowing only 1 hit.

Zach Tolbert belted his first homerun of the season in his first at bat, giving the Tornados a 1-0 lead. However, in the fifth, Linn began to tire a bit, and SWU scored 4 times. In the sixth, SWU added 3 more, making the game seem like a blowout at 7-1.

But the Tornados would not go quietly, answering with 7



runs of their own in the top of the 7th inning, to take a dramatic 8-7 lead. Junior Brooks Owenby gave up a run in the bottom of the 7th, tying the score once again at 8.

In the top half of the 8th inning, BC scratched twice again, highlighted by Nathan Free's

leadoff triple. However, like the inning before, BC could not hold off the Warrior bats, as they came right back in the bottom half to tie the score at 10.

BC went quietly in the top of the ninth, and with a runner on first, one out in the bottom half, an arrant throw by Brevard

allowed for the winning run to come across the plate, finally ending a wild one. Final score, SWU 11, Brevard 10.

Remaining Schedule: 4/15 at Montreat 4/19 vs Lenoir-Rhyne 4/22 vs Bluefield (DH) 4/29 vs Virginia Intermont (DH) 5/3-5/6 AAC Tournament