DIVISION II TRACK & FIELD ST. AUG'S PREVAILS

Those soaring Falcons lead the way as NCAA national champions

Black college track is alive and kicking at the Division II level.

St. Augustine's won the men's team title team title at the national championships held at Hampton University (Va.), while Norfolk State placed second in the team standings in the women's competition.

For coach George Williams' Falcons, it was their second straight national championship. St. Aug's has won the last four NCAA indoor and outdoor titles.

Going into the final day of the meet. St. Aug's trailed front-running Cal State-Northridge. But the guys from Raleigh,

The men's division featured a couple of eye-popping upsets in the sprints. In the 100, Cal State's Kevin Hendrix (10.50) edged St. Aug's Kenneth Brokenburr (10.52) by a half a step.

Hampton's Terrence Warren (10.61) finished fourth and St. Aug's Tarrell Carpenter placed seventh (10.74).

Brokenburr, this year's indoor 55meter national champ, had primed himself for a double sprint victory after placing second in the 100 and winning the 200 in the '89 outdoor nationals.

But it just wasn't to be in '90. That was evident when Warren upset Brokennational champ Howard Burnett of New York Tech. Barnes kept the pressure on Burnett then held him off at the end to triumph in 45.41. Burnett had to settle for the No. 2 spot (45.60).

Reed, one of the top high school quartermilers two years ago, came in third at 45.95. The sophomore from Philadelphia didn't run last year because of stress fractures. Now that he's back, he's sure to be a strong contender for the next three seasons.

The hurdles events turned out be the sole domain of the Falcons. In the 110meter highs, Charles Johnson successful-

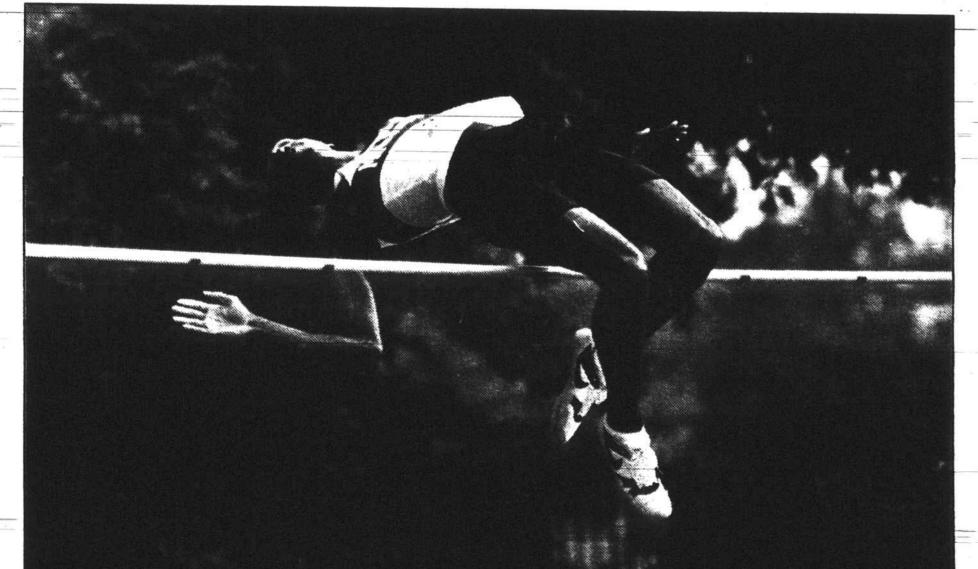


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Morehouse high jumper Kenneth Brown clears the bar with plenty of room to spare. Brown finished second with a leap of 7-0 1/2.

NC came through with victories in the high jump, 400-meter intermediate hurdles, plus the 4 x 100 and 4 x 400 relays to lock up the winner's trophy once more.

The Falcons won the title with a total of 111 points, outdistancing Cal State's 60 points. Hampton was third with 56 points.

Morehouse College was the only other black school to place among the Top 10 teams. The Maroon Tigers amassed 32 points to place eighth.

burr in the 200. The two runners came off the last curve stride for stride with neither giving an inch. But during the last few meters, Warren gained a slight advantage to win in 20.67. Brokenburr clocked 20.70.

Morehouse's William Reed finished eighth with a time of 21.45.

The 400, however, may have produced the biggest surprise of the championships. Johnnie Barnes of Hampton sizzled from the start to whip two-time

ly defended his national title, besting Hampton's Brett Fortune in a close race. Johnson clocked 13.68 and Fortune finished at 14.0. Morehouse's Sam Saffo was third (14.11).

In the intermediate hurdles, Fitzroy Morrison mastered the field, winning in convincing fashion with a 49.90. Barnes, who didn't run the intermediates last year, came through in second place (50.65). St. Aug's Melvin Johnson wasn't far off of



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