

The Nittany Lyon

Looking over the Penn State spring-summer track season, Joe College can say, "not bad, not bad."

Through the efforts of a couple of guys named Curt Stone and Gerry Karver, Chick Werner's skeleton track squad has chalked up an enviable list of individual titles including one at the NCAA's at Salt Lake City, Utah, two from the National AAU's at Lincoln Neb., and two from the IC-4A's at Philadelphia.

If we include perhaps the most outstanding runner in the history of Penn State track, the inimitable Barney Ewell, who finished his academic work here this spring at the age of 29 after using up his athletic credits before the war, the total rises somewhat.

Barney this season added the Allegheny Mountain AAU 100-yard dash, and the National AAU 200-meter dash, in addition to nearly clipping a world's record in the 300-yard run.

The latest on the Penn State trio which has continued to carve its name on the track records is that Curt Stone, Brooklyn, Pa., ex-GI who has more distance records than he can remember at one sitting, will go on an exhibition tour to Northern Europe during the summer months.

Karver was invited to make the trip, but he's decided to stay at home and get married this summer. Ewell also received an invitation, but he'll be practice-teaching near his Lancaster home.

Karver, streamlined blonde miler from Boyertown, really hit his stride this spring against Jack Dianetti, Michigan State phenomenon, at Beaver Field May 10. Karver beat Dianetti over the mile route in 4:11.6, the fastest collegiate mile since Bobby Ginn of Minnesota ran a 4:11.4 in 1942, and the fastest dual meet mile on record in the country.

Then the Nittany flash continued to step it off, winning the Coliseum Relay mile against the best in the nation, going on to become the first college boy since Les Mac-Mitchell in 1942 to score a triple win in the three major track engagements of the season.

Karver added the IC-4A outdoor mile (he had won the indoor last winter), the National Collegiate mile, and the National AAU 1500-meters to his growing string of laurels.

Stone missed his triple killing when he lost to little Jerry Thompson of Texas in the National Collegiate, but came back to beat the Texas distance ace in the National AAU 5000-meters.

Stone won his second IC-4A outdoor two-mile title this spring (he had won his first before entering the service).

In addition to this, both Stone and Karver set new Penn State records. Stone's time in the IC-4A's at Philadelphia, 9:11.2, was the fastest he had ever run, the best a Penn Stater had ever done, and it topped the Franklin Field record.

Meanwhile, another ex-GI who decided to turn his hobby of running into something, continued to burn up the Penn State tracks. Whether it was the mile, the half-mile, or the two-mile, Horace Ashenfelter ran them in his stride, always bettering his previous time.

Ashenfelter's string of consecutive better times halted at the NCAA's at Salt Lake City, when he finished sixth in the two-mile which was won by Thompson in 9:22. Up until that time, Ashenfelter had pared his two-mile time to 9:17.



Stone



Karver

Intramural Softball Standings

LEAGUE I				LEAGUE II			
	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.
Football House	1	0	1.000	Phi Delt	2	0	1.000
J.E.M.	1	0	1.000	D.U.	1	1	.500
Beaver House	1	0	1.000	A. Phi Delt	1	1	.500
Windcrest	0	1	.000	Alpha Zeta	1	1	.500
Phys. Ed.	0	2	.000	Phi Gam	1	1	.500
				Pi K Phi	0	2	.000



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Phi Delts Take Lead In IM'S

Phi Delta Theta has established itself as the team to beat in the Summer Softball League by taking its first two victories in the first week of play.

Defeating the Delta Upsilon, 3-2, behind the pitching of Jenson, the Phi Delts then took a one-sided 9-1 game from the Phi Gams Thursday night to assure themselves first place in League II.

THREE-WAY TIE

Football House, J.E.M., and Beaver House noid a three-way lead in League I with one victory each. Ray Ullinski's Footballers topped Tom Vargo's Phys. Ed. team by a close 3-2 score in the league opener Tuesday, while Beaver House edged the Phys. edders 5-4 Thursday night.

A 9-2 win over Windcrest Thursday gave J.E.M. its first game and a tie for the league lead.

Delta Upsilon took 11 innings to eke out its first win by a 5-4 count over Alpha Phi Delta and push its percentage to .500 for the week. Alpha Zeta also chalked up its first win by outscoring Pi Kappa Phi, 10-9.

PI KAPS WIN

The Pi Kaps had previously been turned back by the Alpha Phi Delts in a Tuesday night game by the score of 12-7. Phi Gams came from behind Tuesday in the tenth to defeat Alpha Zeta, 10-9.

All games are played on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. on the softball fields below the College golf course. Earle Edwards is directing the league.

Edwards stated that in case of rain the games would be played on the next evening. League winners will play for the championship in a three-game series at the end of the season.

Last Week's Results

Football House 3, Phys. Ed. 2
Phi Delt 3, D.U. 2
A. Phi Delt 12, Pi Kappa Phi 7
Phi Gam 10, Alpha Zeta 9
J.E.M. 9, Windcrest 2
Beaver House 5, Phys. Ed. 4
Alpha Zeta 10, Pi Kappa Phi 9
D.U. 5, A. Phi Delt 4

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Tuesday
Football House vs. Beaver House
Windcrest vs. Phys. Ed.
Phi Delta Theta vs. Alpha Phi Delta
Alpha Zeta vs. Delta Upsilon
Pi Kappa Phi vs. Phi Gamma Delta
Thursday
J.E.M. vs. Phys. Ed.
Football House vs. Windcrest
Pi Kappa Phi vs. Delta Upsilon
Phi Delta Theta vs. Alpha Zeta
Alpha Phi Delta vs. Phi Gamma Delta

Karver Honored

Gerry Karver, star miler, will captain Coach Chick Werner's track and cross-country teams during the coming year.

Fleming Releases Cards For Soccer, Harriers

An eight-game schedule, opening against Bucknell October 4, will mark the Lion soccer card released this week by Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics.

Five of the eight games will be played at home as Bill Jeffrey, veteran mentor, begins his 22nd season as Lion coach.

The schedule:

Oct. 4, Bucknell, at home; 11, Colgate, at Hamilton, N. Y.; 18, Pennsylvania, at home; 25, Navy, at home.
Nov. 1, Cornell, at home; 8, Syracuse, at Syracuse; 19, Army, at West Point; 22, Temple, at home.

Coach Chick Werner expects Gerry Karver and his running mate, Horace Ashenfelter, of Collegeville, to spearhead a formidable

cross-country squad which will make a bid for IC-4A and collegiate team honors this fall.

The Lion harriers are booked to compete in four dual meets, and IC-4A and NCAA title competition, according to the schedule announced today by Neil M. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics.

Karver appeared headed for IC-4A title honors last year, but a leg injury put him on the shelf several weeks before the championship run and he never fully regained his winning form.

The schedule:

Oct. 18, Pitt, at Pittsburgh; 25, Cornell, at home; Nov. 1, Michigan State, at East Lansing; 8, Manhattan, at New York; 17, IC-4A, at New York; 24, NCAA, at East Lansing, Mich.

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