



Facilities

The men's track and field team competes at Blake Track. The state-of-the-art facility features eight lanes, each wide enough for wheelchair racing, complete with a new Eurotan all-weather surface and seating capacity of 1,420. The lighting system allows for nighttime events to take place. The track surrounds Blake Field, which hosts all field events and is large enough to serve as a practice facility for soccer and lacrosse.



SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Men's Track and Field

2007-08

2007-08 Season Preview

Losing two of the three competitors from last season's NCAA Nationals will not slow the Pride down. A solid group returns, led by senior All-American **Dominick Ugucioni**. The hammer thrower finished sixth a year ago at the NCAA Championships.

Last season, the Pride placed fourth at the Indoor New England Division III Championships and third at the Outdoor Championships. The team also finished third at the Indoor ECAC Championships and second at the Outdoor Championships.

Sophomore sprinting sensation **Steve Headley** will lead a strong sprinting group that includes All-New England performers **Tim Rehm**, **Chris Okerblom**, **Jermain Bell**, and **Matt Amendola**. **Nick DeCelle**, **Mike Miller**, and **Steve Blanch** will give the jumping events needed strength. The throwing events will have **John Lewis**, **Mike Harris**, and **Nate Chantrill** providing leadership for the Pride in the 2008 campaign.

Also returning for Springfield will be All-New England performer **Mike Griffin**, aided by **Eric Nacsin**, **Jeff Bartlett**, and **John DeVaney** in the distance events.

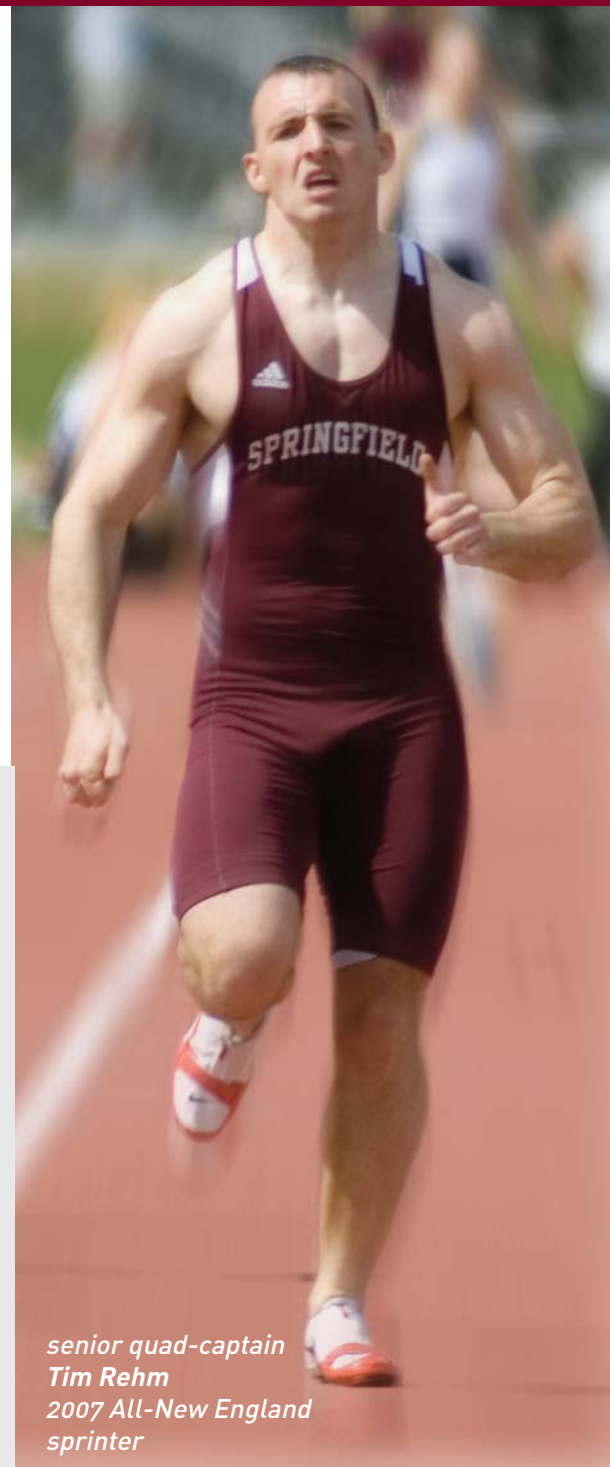
Newcomers who should help the Pride in '08 are **Mike Cataldo** and **Nick Hogan** with the throws; **Nickel Hay**, **John Koziatek**, and **E.J. Occhibo** in the jumps; **Tom Brognano** and **Kevin Behlmer** in the sprints; and **Brian Fuller**, **Troy French**, and **Steve Creamer** in the distance events.



sophomore sprinter
Steve Headley

FAST FACTS:

- ▼ One of the top track and field programs in the Northeast, Springfield College has finished in the top four in nine of the last eleven Division III New England Outdoor Championships.
- ▼ Head coach **Ken Klatka**, entering his 32nd season with the Pride, ranks among the nation's most successful coaches, with an impressive .758 winning percentage.
- ▼ Springfield College has produced 56 All-Americans in track and field.
- ▼ Affiliations: National Collegiate Athletic Conference (NCAA) Division III, Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC)
- ▼ Conference: New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC)
- ▼ Home Facility: Blake Track



senior quad-captain
Tim Rehm
2007 All-New England
sprinter

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2007-08 Schedule

Men's Indoor Track

DECEMBER

1 Sat. at Wesleyan Invitational TBA
8 Sat. at Harvard Invitational TBA

JANUARY

26 Sat. at USCGA 12:00 pm

FEBRUARY

2 Sat. at Bowdoin, MIT, Tufts 12:00 pm
9 Sat. at Tufts Invitational/MIT TBA
15 Fri. at Boston University TBA
16 Sat. at Boston University TBA
22-23 Fri.-Sat. Division III New England Championships at Tufts TBA
29 Fri. All New Englands at Boston Univ. TBA

MARCH

1 Sat. All New Englands at Boston Univ. TBA
7-8 Fri.-Sat. ECACs at Harvard 10:00 am
14-15 Fri.-Sat. NCAA Division III Nationals at Ohio Northern TBA

Men's Outdoor Track

MARCH

29 Sat. RPI 11:00 am

APRIL

5 Sat. at Middlebury w/Bowdoin TBA
12 Sat. at WPI w/Coast Guard TBA
16-17 Fri.-Sat. at Holy Cross Decathlon TBA
19 Sat. ECSU, Westfield State, New Haven, Keene State 11:00 am
26 Sat. NEWMAC Championships at Smith College TBA

MAY

1-3 Thu.-Sat. New England Division III Championships at Coast Guard TBA
8-10 Thu.-Sat. New England's All Division at University of New Hampshire TBA
15-16 Thu.-Fri. ECAC Championships TBA
8-10 Thu.-Sat. NCAA Division III Championships at Oshkosh, Wisc. TBA

Home meets in **bold**



Head Coach Ken Klatka

▼ Education

Springfield College '69, G'70

▼ Honors

- U.S. Track Coaches Association
NCAA Division III Outdoor Region
Coach of the Year ('97, '98, '00)
- NCAA Division II District I
Coach of the Year ('79)
- Division II College Indoor
Coach of the Year ('79)
- ECAC Division II Outdoor
Coach of the Year ('88, '89, '90, '91)

▼ Accomplishments

- Guest Speaker, NCAA Youth Education
through Sports (YES) Clinic held in
conjunction with Division III Outdoor
Track and Field Championship
- Current President, Division III New England
Track and Field Coaches Association
- Former President, All Division
New England Coaches Association
- Former President, Division III New England
Coaches Association
- Former President, Eastern Track and Field
Coaches Association

Ken Klatka, an associate professor of physical education at Springfield College, enters his 32nd season as head coach of the men's track and field program. He ranks among the nation's most successful coaches, with an overall record of 386 wins, 131 losses, and two ties for an impressive .758 winning percentage.

Klatka's teams are among the best in the region. This past outdoor season, he guided his team to sweeps in three quadrangular meets, a second place finish at the NEWMAC Championships and the Division III ECAC Championships, and a third place finish at the Division III New England Championships.

Klatka is part of a long line of Pride coaches who have shared their expertise internationally. In 1978 and '82, he traveled to Aruba and spent a month conducting clinics and lecturing student-athletes. He has conducted numerous clinics in the Northeast, including several at Springfield College.

Klatka has been the meet director for countless Western Massachusetts high school track and field and cross

country championships, and has served as the state director of the U.S. Track and Field Federation. He was the field coordinator for the 1990 Massachusetts Special Olympics and has been the track coordinator for the Massachusetts Senior Games, held annually at Springfield College.

Klatka, a 1969 Springfield College graduate, was captain of the cross country team, where he set a number of school and course records. He earned his master's degree from Springfield College in 1970. After graduation, he coached the College's men's cross country team for seven seasons.

Klatka was a standout runner at Memorial High in Manchester, N.H., establishing state records in the mile and two-mile runs while winning four state titles. In 1994, he was among the charter members enshrined in the school's Athletic Hall of Fame. He was inducted in the city's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1996.

Outdoor All-Americans

Year	Name	Event	Year	Name	Event
1963	Ed Kusiak	Hammer	1976	Steve Moussetis	10,000 meters
1963	Ed Kusiak	Javelin	1976	Dave Sherman	Hammer
1963	Ken Black	Hammer	1977	Carl Bishop	Hammer
1963	Terry Merritt	3-mile	1978	Carl Bishop	Hammer
1963	George McCombe	Steeplechase	1978	Mike Tarnowicz	Javelin
1968	Charlie Thompson	Hammer	1979	Mike Tarnowicz	Javelin
1969	Jon Rose	Pole Vault	1980	Mike Brown	Decathlon
1970	Ross Newcombe	Decathlon	1980	W.F. Newhall	10,000 meters
1971	Steve Healy	Javelin	1982	Rob Lasorsa	Shot Put
1971	Mark Katzenstein	Triple Jump	1985	Arthur Prince	Discus
1972	Harold Cramer	Hammer	1986	Arthur Prince	Discus
1972	Abraham Davis	Long Jump	1988	Leo Podolski	Hammer
1973	Harold Cramer	Hammer	1997	Patrick Corthell	Discus
1973	Abraham Davis	Long Jump	1997	Nick Guerrette	Javelin
1974	Ron Dattoli	Discus	1998	Nick Guerrette	Javelin
1974	Dave McCann	Mile	1999	Nick Guerrette	Javelin
1974	Dave Sherman	Hammer	2000	Damian Larkins	Shot Put
1975	Ron Dattoli	Discus	2000	Nick Guerrette	Javelin
1975	Abraham Davis	Long Jump	2004	Matt Acciaoli	Shot Put
1975	Abraham Davis	Triple Jump	2004	Pawel Jaroszewicz	400 meters
1975	Jeff McCray	High Hurdles	2007	Dominick Uguccioni	Hammer
1975	Wayne Wise	800 meters	2007	Alex Kampersal	Shot Put



senior quad-captain
Nick DeCelle

2007-08 Roster

Name	Cl.	Event(s)	Hometown
Chris Amendola	So.	100-200	Milford, Conn.
Matt Amendola	So.	100-200	Milford, Conn.
Jeff Bartlett	Sr.	800-1500	West Newbury, Mass.
Kevin Behlmer	Fr.	400-800	Attleboro, Mass.
Jermaine Bell	So.	100-200	Boston, Mass.
Steve Blanch	Jr.	LJ-TJ	Delmar, N.Y.
Tom Brognano	Fr.	100-200	Rome, N.Y.
Jacob Brewer	Fr.	800-1500	Woolwich, Maine
Mike Cataldo	Fr.	Shot-Discus	Deer Park, N.Y.
Nathan Chantrill	So.	Shot-Discus	Ashburn, Maine
Evan Costra	Fr.	400-800	Somerset, Mass.
Steve Creamer	Fr.	800-1500	Seekonk, Mass.
Jamal Davis	Jr.	100-Shot	Springfield, Mass.
Nick DeCelle	Sr.	LJ-TJ	Mechanicville, N.Y.
Michael DeCrescenzo	So.	1500-5K	New Milford, Conn.
John DeVaney	So.	1500-Steeplechase	Albany, N.Y.
Alex Fallon	Fr.	Javelin	Tolland, Conn.
Troy French	Fr.	800-1500	Antrim, N.H.
Brian Fuller	Fr.	800-1500	Ludlow, Mass.
Matt Geanacopoulos	So.	1500-5k	Ludlow, Mass.
Dan Giampietro	Sr.	200-400	Merrimack, N.H.
Mike Griffin	Jr.	1500-5k	Scarborough, Maine
Kyle Gunningsmith	Jr.	100-LJ	Trumansburg, N.Y.
Michael R. Harris	Jr.	Javelin-Discus	Naugatuck, Conn.
Nickel Hay	Fr.	100-LJ-TJ	Norwalk, Conn.
Steve Headley	So.	100-200	Wilbraham, Mass.
Brian Helmstetter	So.	Hammer	Providence, R.I.
Nick Hogan	Fr.	Shot-Discus	Nashua, N.H.
John Koziatek	Fr.	PV-Decathlon	East Lyme, Conn.
John Lewis	Sr.	Disc.-Hammer	Fitchburg, Mass.
Joe Locasio	So.	1500-5k	Hebron, Conn.
Justin Ludwig	Jr.	Steeplechase	Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J.
Michael Miller	Sr.	Multi-Events	Storrs, Conn.
Kyle Moriarty	Fr.	800-1500	North Kingston, N.H.
Andrew Mulvey	Fr.	1500-5k	Merrimack, N.H.
Eric Nacsin	Jr.	400-800	East Longmeadow, Mass.
Jon Nardi	Fr.	Shot-Discus	East Longmeadow, Mass.
Emil Occhiboi	Fr.	HJ-400	Brookfield, Conn.
Christopher Okerblom	Jr.	Pole Vault-400	Salisbury, Md.
David Oevermann	So.	Javelin	Grafton, Mass.
Matt Pearson	Jr.	Pole Vault	Barre, Mass.
Collin Plante	Fr.	800	Tolland, Conn.
Chris Quetant	Fr.	200-400	Milford, Conn.
Tim Rehm	Sr.	100-400	Waldwick, N.J.
Kyle Roberts	So.	LJ-TJ	Holyoke, Mass.
Patrick Rowan	So.	100-LJ	Brewster, Mass.
Chris Van Amburgh	So.	1500-5000	Fitchburg, Mass.
Dominick Uguccioni	Sr.	Shot-Disc.-Ham.	Colrain, Mass.
Brandon Wilbur	So.	100-200	Henrietta, N.Y.
Scott Woodaman	Sr.	100-400	Milford, N.H.
Ian Wright	Sr.	800-1500	Albany, N.Y.

Head Coach: Ken Klatka (32nd season, Springfield '69)

Assistant Coaches: Peter Koumlelis, George Rodriguez, Tanner Williams

Captains: Jeff Bartlett '08, Nick DeCelle '08, Tim Rehm '08, Dominick Uguccioni '08

Indoor All-Americans

Year	Name	Event
1996	Bryan Brown	1500 meters
1998	Damian Larkins	Shot Put
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2003	Blake Gulino	Long Jump
2004	Dave Forrette	4x400 Relay
2004	Art Fredericks	4x400 Relay
2004	Pawel Jaroszewicz	4x400 Relay
2004	Pawel Jaroszewicz	400 meters
2004	Billy King	4x400 Relay
2004	Justin Welch	High Jump
2006	Alex Kampersal	Shot Put



senior
Michael Miller