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PORTSMOUTH, R.I. – The Roger Williams Women's Track & Field team won the CCC Championship for the second year in a row on a Saturday afternoon.

In the 100 Meter finals, Tessa Wise (Charlton, Mass.) and Ava Ricciardi (Holden, Mass.) finished back to back at third and fourth place with times of 13.16 and 13.41. Wise also finished eighth in the 200 Meter run at 29.30. In the 400's, Tory Stoddard (Charlton, Mass.) and Lauren Stone (Longmeadow, Mass.) had top ten finishes coming in seventh and ninth place.

Siobhan Mitchell (West Newbury, Mass.) was victorious in the 800's, crossing the line with a time of 2:25.60. Emily Slusarczyk (Charlestown, R.I.) also placed ninth in that event earning a time of 2:54.59. Mitchell had back to back wins in the 1500 Meter run coming in first with a time of 5:07.40. Sarah Mawdsley (Sandy Hook, Conn.) and Piper Wilbur (Eliot, Maine) also placed within the top ten in that event placing fourth and ninth.

Mawdsley was runner up in the 5000 Meter finals coming in at 18:49.50 while Wilbur, Maya Kreidwise (Cheshire, Conn.), and Amanda Naylor (Glastonbury, Conn.) finished in the top ten as well.

Madison Fancher (Gloversville, N.Y.) took the 100 and 400 hurdles at 16.08 and 1:09.05 helping her team to their overall win. Stone finished in eighth in the 100's while Olivia Franco (North Haven, Conn.) placed second in the 400's. Jordin Comstock (East Granby, Conn.) also received a fourth place finish in the 400's as well.

In the 4x100 and 4x400 Relays, RWU placed fourth and third respectively.

The top three finishers in the high jump finals were all Hawks including Fancher, Savannah Fox Tree-McGrath (Billerica, Mass.), and Mitchell. Stoddard also took a sixth place finish in this event.

The pole vault was almost a shutout with Shirah Strock (Castleton, N.Y.) coming in first, Wise in third, and Stoddard and Madelyn Malieswski (Framingham, Mass.) in fifth and sixth.

Wise and Malieswski jumped their way into the top ten in the long jump event as well. Katerina Tsiounis (Bristol, R.I.) came in fourth in the triple jump along with teammates Malieswski, Stoddard, and Strock following closely behind in distance.

In the shot put, Kristen Norray (Berne, N.Y.) earned sixth, Malieswski earned seventh, and Fox Tree-McGrath earned eighth. Thereasa Cerullo (Millis, Mass.) found herself in the second spot in the discus throw at 29.84 as Norray came in eighth.

The hammer finals consisted of Norray, Kylie Hofhaug (Millis, Mass.), and Cerullo in 2, 3, 4 order, all of them reaching their personal best. Fox Tree-McGrath took the win in the javelin throw at a distance of 37.95 and Cerullo and Britney Dixon (North Haven, Conn.) placed shortly after. Cerullo beat her personal best as well in the javelin.

Coach Sean Livingston stated, "Across the board everyone stepped up. Sarah Mawdsley completed an amazing triple and no one else competed in all three events. She's one of our captains and she basically put the rest of the team on her back in the distance events and did some major damage. Maddy Fancher had a great day as well crushing her personal best in the 100 hurdles. Shirah Strock had a huge performance in the pole vault earning the victory, setting a personal best, and qualifying for New England's. Siobhan Mitchell pulled off a very tough double. Savannah Fox Tree-McGrath won the javelin for the fourth consecutive year. Tory Stoddard competed in her first meet in four weeks and helped out the team in a big way by scoring in three events. Tessa Wise had an impactful day as well. It took everyone really spreading themselves thin all day long from running one event to the next. They deserved it and I'm extremely proud of the work they put in all season and now can call themselves CCC Champs. Several athletes will move on to compete in the New England Championships next week."

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