

Johnson Cracks 6000

Tempe, Arizona, March 23-24— Even if Gea Johnson was under the weather at the Sun Devil Invitational, she was certainly on top of her game. The Arizona State junior tallied 6129 heptathlon points, a PR improvement of 139 that moves her to No. 6 among Americans all-time.

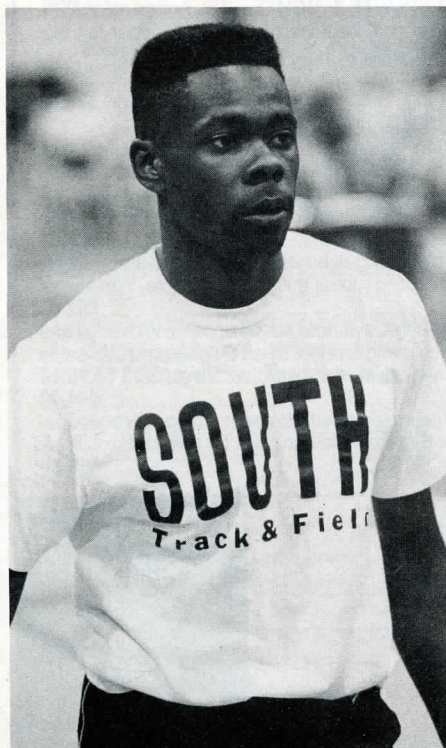
"She'd been having little problems with just not feeling well for the three days before the meet," said coach Tom Jones, "So she took time off. You get a little bit of a compensation effect from that."

Apparently so, as the 5-7/140 NCAA favorite (see p. 8) PRed in a number of events, including 13.70 in the hurdles and 20-6½ in the long jump.

"My javelin [135-2] was very weak," admitted Johnson. "My 200 [24.78] wasn't the greatest; my shot [44-2] wasn't the greatest. I just hope I can keep on improving."

Another big breakthrough came in the men's 400, where Washington footballer Orlando McKay, a soph, skipped the 46s and cruised 45.81. That's an improvement of 1.39 on his old PR, 47.20 in last year's Pac-10 heats.

Pettigrew is rolling already outdoors.



John Burke

Teams: 1. Washington 176; 2. Cal 120; 3. BYU 120; 4. Ohio State 65; 5. Princeton 61.

100(0.9), Mahorn' (Cal) 10.36; 2. Kayode' (BYU) 10.40. 200(0.0), Kayode' 20.84; 2. Mahorn' 21.36. 400, McKay (Wa) 45.81.

1500, McDowell (Wa) 3:47.54. St. Croghan (OhSt) 8:41.59; 2. Mecham (BYU) 8:49.61. 5000, Lewis (AzSt) 14:16.50. 10,000, Hobbs (BYU) 29:49.02.

400H, Rucker (AzSt) 50.99; 2. Ellison (Wa) 51.85. 4 x 100, Washington 39.86. 4 x 400, Washington 3:07.19; 2. Ohio State 3:11.34.

HJ, Harris (Cal) 7-2½; 2. Rogers (Cal) 7-2½; 3. Noji (Wa) 7-2½. LJ, Trimble (OhSt) 24-10½. TJ, Harris 52-7½; 2. Martin (OhSt) 50-8¼.

SP, Collins (AzSt) 60-11¼. DT, Wilson (Wa) 189-8. HT, Karlsson' (BYU) 211-0; 2. Brown (Dart) 197-9. JT, Roberson (Wa) 238-5; 2. Indrebo' (UTEP) 231-1.

Dec, Peterson (BYU) 7125; 2. Ohlweiler (BYU) 7022.

Women:

Teams: 1. Washington 206; 2. BYU 150; 3. Missouri 86; 4. Arizona State 77; 5. Princeton 67½.

200, Holmes (AzSt) 24.28; 2. Tolbert (AzSt) 24.78. 800, Sauer (Mo) 2:09.36. 1500, Burk (BYU) 4:27.42. 3000, Burk 9:35.38. 5000, van Onna' (UTEP) 16:28.38; 2. Bliss (Mo) 16:44.60.

100H(0.1), Tolbert 13.18; 2. Schweim (Wa) 13.83. 400H, Schweim 61.14. 4 x 100, Arizona State 45.33. 4 x 400, Washington 3:50.65.

HJ, Wilson (Wa) 5-10¾. LJ, Tasker (Wa) 19-5¾. TJ, Springer (Prin) 39-8.

SP, Leppaluto' (BYU) 47-6¼. DT, James (BYU) 163-4; 2. Whitlock (Wa) 157-4.

Hept, Johnson (AzSt) 6129 (6, x A; 3, 6 C) (13.70, 1.79, 13.46, 24.78, 6.26, 41.20, 2:17.57); 2. Zaugg (BYU) 5318; 3. Gardner (AzSt) 5050.

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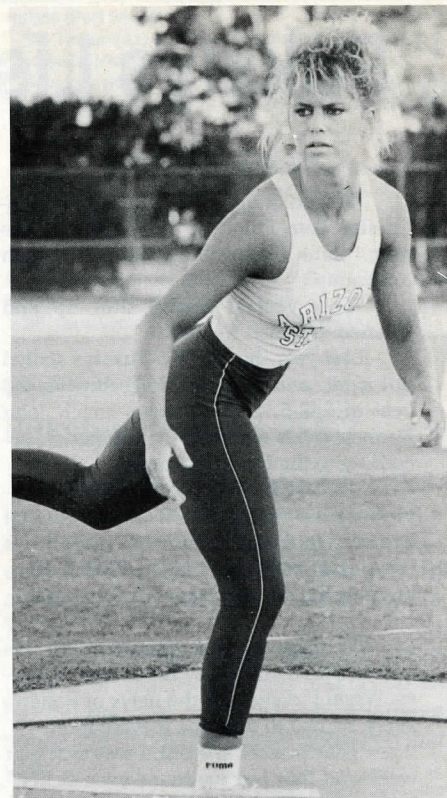
Don't Forget Pettigrew

Tallahassee, March 23-24—He was not much of a factor indoors, but expect Antonio Pettigrew to play a major role again this outdoor season. That's the message the Miami-Dade South soph gave at the Florida State Relays, despite coming off a minor stress fracture which had cost him 3 weeks of training.

Down by almost 10m when he got the stick on the anchor of the 4 x 4, the defending TAC 400 champ came up just short in his bid to catch Iowa State hurdler Michael Graham. Pettigrew's 45.3 brought the JC squad home in 3:06.96, a scant 0.04 behind the 4-year boys.

Iowa State's women also had a chance to shine, Jacqui Parker's 2:05.7 anchor giving the Cyclones a 3:51.74 in the sprint medley, the No. 6 time ever recorded.

Overall, host Florida State picked up the most relay glory, its men winning the 4 x 8 and both medleys and the women the 4 x 1, 4 x 2, and 4 x 4.



Johnson upped her 7-event best to 6129.

100, Walker (Tn) 10.59. 800, Ngubeni' (Ky) 1:48.76. 1500, Parker (unat) 3:50.01; 2. Carney (IaSt) 3:51.49.

St, Pogue (Army) 8:48.0; 2. Roby (Aub) 8:49.3; 3. Strand (Aub) 8:53.8; 4. Juba (Brk) 8:54.1. 5000, Dollman' (WnKy) 14:03.9. 10,000, Waldron (Niks) 29:46.5.

110H(0.9), Lawson (FIS) 13.98. 400H, Davis (Maz) 50.30; 2. Graham (IaSt) 50.60.

4 x 100, Miami Dade South 40.46. 4 x 200, Bowling Green 1:29.08. 4 x 400, Iowa State 3:06.92 (Eversden 49.0, Knight 46.3, Atwater 45.3, Graham 46.3); 2. Miami Dade South 3:06.96 (Poole 48.5, Singleton 46.7, Jackson 46.5, Pettigrew 45.3).

4 x 800, Florida State 7:29.26; 2. Iowa State 7:31.45. 4 x 1500, Tennessee 15:23.5; 2. Iowa State 15:24.4.

SpMed, Florida State 3:20.74. DisMed, Florida State 9:45.83; 2. East Tennessee 9:47.06.

4 x 110H, Tennessee 58.52.

HJ, Jenkins (Tn) 7-1½. PV, Watson (FAC) 18-1; 2. Carr (FIS) 17-¾; 3. Fulford (Tn) 17-¾. LJ, Martin (Tn) 25-2½; 2. Carter (SFCC) 25-2. TJ, Collett (unat) 51¾.

DT, Fitzpatrick (Tn) 178-1. HT, Garcia (unat) 193-8. JT, Richardson (Tn) 234-10.

Women:

100(0.9), Verdun (FIS) 11.70; 2. Horton (FIS) 11.89. 800, DiMuro (Reeb) 2:07.86. 1500, Glerum' (IaSt) 4:22.27; 2. Nakiyingi' (IaSt) 4:22.45; 3. DiMuro 4:22.89.

3000, Borovicka (Asics) 9:36.8. 5000, Brower (Ia) 16:53.5. 100H(0.0), Batten (FIS) 13.50. 400H, Parker' (IaSt) 59.56; 2. Shivers (FIS) 60.34.

4 x 100, Florida State 45.01. 4 x 200, Florida State 1:39.46. 4 x 400, Florida State 3:41.27. 4 x 800, Iowa State 8:59.09.

SpMed, Iowa State 3:51.74 (6 W, C) (Miller 25.4, Anderson 24.2, Hancock 56.4, Parker' 2:05.7); 2. Florida State 3:55.12. DisMed, Iowa 11:36.80; 2. Florida State 11:39.72. 4 x 100H, Bowling Green 61.45.

HJ, Kelly (FIS) 5-11½. LJ, Krietsch (Miami) 19-7. TJ, Wills (Army) 42-6¼; 2. Batten 41-0.

SP, Kriener (Ia) 45-6¾. DT, Daugherty (FIAM) 154-2. JT, Keith (FIS) 160-2.