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Six records set in track meet

Six meet records and one track record highlighted the 14th Annual Springtime Invitational Track and Field Championships at Mike Long Track on Saturday afternoon.

Louisiana State's Sharon Clarke topped the field in the women's competition by setting both a meet and track record with a 20-foot, 7-inch long jump.

Meet record performances were also turned in by Ann Girvan of Florida State in the 100-meter hurdles (13.77 seconds) and Tracy Cofield of Florida A&M in the 400-meter dash (53.4).

In the men's competition, three meet records were bettered. Florida State redshirts Arthur Blake and Tommy Reither and Mississippi's Verdell Oliver set the new marks. Blake recorded a 13.57 time in the 110-

meter high hurdles, Reither pole vaulted 17-6 and Oliver had a leap of 25-11/2 in the long jump.

The day's most hotly contested race was the 800meter run in which two Southern Illinois runners recorded NCAA qualifying times. Mike Elliot outkicked Bret Garrett in the final 100 meters to defeat his teammate by three-tenths of a second.

Gary Armstrong currently leads the decathlon competition with a score of 4,258. Sheldon Blockburger of Louisiana State is in second place with a score of 3,991. The competition concludes today beginning at noon.