

Hello Shocker Track Club Members!

This is the first of a monthly update we will send out to keep you up to date on all the comings and goings of the STC. Even though the traditional track and field season has concluded, we've been very busy continuing to build this organization and raise awareness to Wichita and the surrounding communities.

What happened in September?

September was a busy month for the Shocker Track Club! The STC hosted the first Master's Meet in Wichita since 2003 in Cessna Stadium with a terrific turnout. The meet went so well that plans for an indoor meet in December are now being developed. Several Master's members also competed in a meet at Halstead at the end of the month.

The fall brought cross-country and road racing into the picture as Elite team member Tonya Nero set a Kansas 15k road race record! Nero and Danielle Chapman have had terrific success already this season on the road as well as Cross Country.

The Master and Elite teams had a fun celebration of their first year at Jersey's Sports Grill and Bar, highlighted by the presence of Olympian Darius Draudvila who entertained the crowd with stories of his experience in London this past summer.

All of these stories as well as photos and results can be found at www.shockertrackclub.com.

What's coming up in October?

October looks to be another busy month for your favorite track club ...

- --Tonya Nero will compete in the World Half Marathon Championships in Bulgaria on October 6th and then the UWI Half Marathon in Trinidad and Tobago October 28th.
- --The Wichita Prairie Fire Marathon will be October 14th and the STC will be part of the Running Expo on the day before the big race. Make sure to stop by Century II between 9am-5pm to check it out!
- --To wrap up the month, we will be hosting the 2nd annual STC Throws Pentathlon at Wichita State on October 27th. This unique event is free to watch and \$20 to participate (includes a t-shirt and lunch)
- --We want to wish the Wichita State Cross Country teams the best of luck at the Missouri Valley Cross Country Championships on October 27th at Illinois State. Go Shockers!

Other news ...

--The STC has named several new board members to help advance the club's mission. New board members are – Jerry Proffitt, Michael Draut, Audacia Moore, Dylan Harnett, Brian Hargrove, Gary Gregory, David Morris, Jeff Boleski, Grant Overstake, Dylan Schmidt, TJ Arant and Darius Draudvila. The new board

members will work well with returning board members - Darren Muci, Chris Ellis, Chandra Andrews, John Wise, Steve Rainbolt, Laura Markuly, Sam Garrison, Patrick Simon, Larry Staton, Heidi Yost, Emily Green-Maier, Vic Everett, Bill Faflick and Mike Holladay. We also want to thank the outgoing board members – Joe Eby, Trent Mazanec, Joan Hearne, Keith Dome, George Nambo and RJ Brown for their hard work and hope they stay in contact with the STC!

Once again make sure to check out our website often for updates on www.shockertrackclub.com! Also find us on Facebook and Twitter for even more updates and links to our photo galleries.

It's an exciting time to be a member of the STC! We plan to keep you updated with several more events for you to attend and possibly volunteer or participate! We thank you for your support of track and field in Wichita!