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# SPORTS NEWS RELEASE

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## TRACK TEAMS GUN FOR CONFERENCE TITLES

The Cedarville College men's and women's track teams are both off to excellent starts in 1985 and each will be involved in their respective conference meets this Saturday. Coach Elvin King's men will be hosting the Mid-Ohio Conference championships on campus with competition set to begin at 1 p.m. At the same time, Coach John McGillivray's women will travel to Defiance College to take part in the Western Buckeye Collegiate Conference meet.

The men's MOC meet looks to be a great one with a number of superb athletes who will eventually be favorites to be NAIA All-Americans at the national meet in late May. Only Malone, Rio Grande, Walsh, and the host Yellow Jackets have track programs in the league but that is enough to produce plenty of excitement. "I think this will be one of best meets in the state to be run," remarked Cedarville's King. "There will be some athletes here who have already proven themselves on the national level. I expect some outstanding competition and it should be a great meet to watch."

Whether it is cross country or track and field, it's no secret that Malone College has dominated the conference and district over the past 15-plus years. The Pioneers are once again favored this spring in both meets and coming into the MOC they have top people to beat in nine of the 18 events. "Malone just has tremendous depth," King said. "They get their share of first places, but they win because they have so many other athletes that place as well. We have an outside shot at them, however Malone would almost have to beat themselves."

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Malone was the only school to beat Cedarville last season and the Pioneers did it twice. So far in 1985, only Anderson College has been able to outscore the Jackets and that was by a mere  $3\frac{1}{2}$  points in the Cedarville Relays. Four of King's performers have the best performances recorded in their respective events coming into the conference meet. That quartet includes Scott Hannay in the javelin (191' 10"), Phil Hulbert in both the shot put (49' $\frac{1}{2}$ "") and discus (158'4"), Gary Anderson in the 880 (1:54.1), and Rob Moore in the 1500 meters (3:50.4). Moore's time in the 1500, by the way, is the fastest time in the NAIA turned in to date this spring.

"We just want to do the best we can," explained King as he previewed the MOC. "I'll put our people in events where they can place and we'll just see what happens."

NCCAA All-American sprinter Clarence Eddy is listed as doubtful for this Saturday's meet. King is hoping that he will be back to full strength for next weekend's NCCAA Nationals at Marion College in Indiana.

Coach John McGillivray's Lady Jackets will be going after their second straight WBCC crown at Defiance. The host school won the initial meet back in 1983.

"If our gals perform like they are capable of, then we should be able to win again," predicted McGillivray whose team's only losses came to Akron and Central State earlier this season at West Virginia State. "However, two years ago we felt we could win then and unfortunately we had an off day all the way around. I think our athletes are ready and we expect a successful day."

Cedarville is once again led by NAIA and NCCAA All-American Jane Romig who won three events in the WBCC meet last year. Her school-record time in the 800 meters last weekend at the University of Kentucky Relays of 2:14.5 is currently the fastest time in the NAIA this season.