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Track and field finds success at the UNF Spring Break Invite

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla.- To start off their outdoor campaign, the Georgia Southern track and field team had five Eagles set new career bests at the UNF Spring Break Invite.

"Having our first meet at the University of North Florida was great for us," head coach [Kelly Carter](#) said. "It was a chance for our young ladies to get their feet wet in outdoor competition. I look forward to the rest of the season."

[Kelsey Arnold](#) finished fourth in the hammer throw, notching a 51.76 meter mark which sets a new career-best for the junior, surpassing her 2015 mark by over two meters. Freshman [Jamelia Owens](#) threw a monster discus throw reaching 43.35 meters which was good for fifth.

Once again, [Bailey Willett](#) and [Jillian Sloane](#) finished hand-in-hand in the 800 meter run, to grace the top 10 for the fourth meet this season. Willett recorded a time of 2:14.35 seconds while Sloane recorded a 2:14.95 second run, both of which are career-bests for the two in both indoor and outdoor competition.

Placing in sixth, [Rebecca Parker](#) ran the 3000 meter steeple in 11:55.13 coming in three spots before freshman [Jinni Pethel](#) who took ninth. [Asha Stegall](#) placed in ninth in the 400 meter dash.

For high jumps, [Keyanna Harris](#) finished in fifth and [Twandalette Cotton](#) finished in seventh. In long jumps, Sun Belt indoor champion [Jasmin Walker](#) finished fifth and [Nia Hill](#) finished ninth. Hill also chalked up a ninth-place finish in the triple jump with a career-best 11.78 meter jump, just before [Ashleigh Rasheed](#) who took tenth.

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