

Little Leaps For Top National Mark in Pole Vault

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Chris Little tied the eighth-best mark in BYU history in the outdoor pole vault at Texas on Saturday. (BYU Photo/Mark Philbrick)

AUSTIN, Tex. (March 3, 2010) - Junior Chris Little broke his personal best in the pole vault twice in one weekend, posting a top-five height nationally at the Texas Relays in one of two meets for BYU men's track and field.

Little, who had previous career-high heights of 5.15 meters outdoor and 5.30 meters overall, cleared 5.41 meters on Saturday after clearing 5.40 meters two days earlier.

Little's height of 5.41m also ties for 8th all-time in BYU history and is tops in the MWC this season.

Also in Texas, Leif Arrhenius set a new top mark among Mountain West Conference athletes in the discus, throwing 57.60 meters.

In the javelin, Sean Richardson and Chris Reno finished third and fifth, respectively.

In the track events, BYU's Bryan Payne took eighth in the 400-meter hurdles while Brian Weirich finished fifth in the 1,500 meters.

