

# Tully Sets Disputed World Vault Record

## Clears 18-8 $\frac{3}{4}$ but Remeasurement Shows Bar at 18-8, Short of Mark

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CORVALLIS—UCLA's Mike Tully cleared a world record height of 18-8  $\frac{3}{4}$  in the pole vault Friday on the opening day of the Pacific 8 track and field championships at Wayne Valley Field, but he might not have a world record.

Confusing? You bet it is. And here's what happened:

Tully, who has come close to scaling 18-8 $\frac{3}{4}$  this season, finally made the height on his first attempt. The bar quivered, but Tully said he didn't touch it.

The bar was measured at 5.71 meters (18-8 $\frac{3}{4}$ ) before he jumped, but before it could be measured afterwards, either an official knocked the bar off or the wind was the culprit.

Tully nervously paced up and down while officials replaced the bar on the standards and measured it again. International Amateur Athletic Federation rules stipulate that "in all cases of records judges must check the measurement after the height has been cleared."

It was checked and it came out to 5.69 meters, or 18-8. "They cost me a world record," said an angry Tully, who is the world indoor record holder at 18-5 $\frac{1}{4}$ . "I could have had them put it an inch higher (before the vault)."

So, once again, Tully had the bar placed at a measured 18-8 $\frac{3}{4}$ , but there was a 20-minute delay during the measurement, and when the blond Bruin resumed vaulting, he was understandably upset.

He missed twice at 18-8 $\frac{3}{4}$  and then UCLA coach Jim Bush intervened, holding an IAAF rule book that reportedly said record vaults are only measured *before* attempts, not afterwards.

The officials agreed with Bush, and it was announced that Tully, indeed, had a world record. But Bush had an outdated IAAF rule book that, as it turns out, wasn't applicable.

However, fans left the track stadium believing Tully had set a world record.

Bush claims he did. "As I was leaving the meet, officials told me that they made an error in measuring Mike's vault after the bar was replaced," he said.

The pole-vaulting box was reportedly depressed and not flush with the runway. A board was placed across the box for measuring purposes and Bush said that Tully was cheated out of two centimeters—and that officials agreed with him later.

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"I don't know if I have a world record or not," said Tully, who has been closing in on Dave Roberts' world mark of 18-8 1/4 set in 1976 at the final Olympic trials in Eugene.

Nor is anyone else, although Bush said meet officials would approve Tully's vault as a world record.

Tully said conditions were perfect for vaulting. He had a brisk tailwind on a warm, balmy day. Then he added ruefully, "I don't know if the officials knew what they were doing. Maybe they don't have too many meets up here (Oregon State)."

Anyway, Tully's vault series was the best in track and field history. He passed until the bar was placed at 17 feet. He made that, then passed at 17-4 before making 17-8 1/2,

18-0 1/2 and, finally, 18-8 1/4 on his first attempt.

Otherwise, the meet was routine. USC favored to win its fifth straight Pac-8 championship, qualified 16 of 17 competitors for finals today and probably will win—unless one of Vern Wolfe's sprinters pulls up lame.

## PAC-8 TRACK SUMMARIES

### FINALS

#### HAMMER THROW

1. Neilson (Washington), 232-4 (meet record, old mark, 229-1, Neilson, Washington, 1977); 2. McArdie (Oregon), 198-7; 3. Jessernig (Washington St.), 190-9; 4. Parkins (Oregon), 182-8; 5. Stover (Oregon), 173-2; 6. Thomson (Stanford), 174-2.

#### JAVELIN

1. Alwood (Washington), 261-8; 2. Sinclair (Washington), 250-2; 3. U. Paananen (USC), 248-9; 4. Lorenzan (Washington St.), 238-9; 5. Schoeler (Washington St.), 234-11; 6. Grant (Oregon St.), 228-8.

#### 200 STEEPCHASE

1. Clary (Oregon), 8:45.4; 2. Gustafson (Washington), 8:47.5; 3. Fritton (Oregon), 8:53.8; 4. James (UCLA), 8:54.7; 5. Hallenback (Washington), 8:57.1; Van (Washington), 9:04.3; Perez (USC), Rono (Washington St.), did not finish.

#### 10,000

1. Rono (Washington St.), 27:44.4 (meet record, old mark, 28:13.4, Kimombwa, Washington St., 1977); 2. Charuyot (Washington St.), 28:20.5; 3. Salazar (Oregon), 28:27.2; 4. Kimombwa (Washington St.), 29:44.0; 5. B. McClesney (Oregon), 31:11.2; 6. Klasan (Stanford), 32:55.6.

#### POLE VAULT

1. Tully (UCLA), 18-8 (meet record, old mark, 17-7, Tully, UCLA, 1977); 2. Oravetz (Washington), 17-8 1/4; 3. Brown (UCLA), 17-4; 4. Hintz (Oregon), 17-0; 5. He (between Goodman (Washington St.) and Fisher (Oregon St.)), 16-6. Others: Johnson (UCLA), no height (13-9); Rogers (UCLA), scratched after passing to 14-4.

#### LONG JUMP

1. Lofton (Stanford), 25-9 1/4; 2. Nelson (Washington St.), 24-9 1/4; 3. Okoro (Oregon St.), 24-2 1/4; 4. Smith (Oregon St.), 24-0 1/4; 5. Nelson (Stanford), 23-1 1/4; 6. Eddings (California), 22-7 1/4.

#### SHOTPUT

1. Stover (Oregon), 64-9 1/4; 2. Laut (UCLA), 64-5 1/4; 3. Voorhees (Oregon), 62-10 1/4; 4. Summers (Washington), 62-4 1/4; 5. Goldsmith (Oregon), 59-5 1/4; 6. McKenzie (USC), 56-9 1/4. Others: 7. Kurrasch (UCLA), 56-9 1/4; 8. Montgomery (USC), 55-7 1/4.

#### DECATHLON

**FIVE-EVENT SCORES**—Canfield (California), 3972; Allen (Washington St.), 3908; Larson (Oregon St.), 3821; Johnson (Oregon St.), 3731; 1. Paananen (USC), 3602; Wheeler (UCLA), 3592; Doyle (Oregon), 3586; Geffre (Washington), 3554; Lewis (California), 3129.

100—Canfield, 18.5 (822); Allen and Doyle, 18.8 (853); 1. Paananen, 11.9 (804); Larson, 11.1 (780); Lewis and Johnson, 11.2 (756). Others: Wheeler, 11.4 (718).

**LONG JUMP**—Canfield, 22-3 1/4 (773); 1. Paananen, 22-5 1/4 (761); Wheeler, 21-11 1/4 (757); Larson, 21-9 1/4 (746); Johnson and Allen, 21-3 1/4 (712).

**SHOTPUT**—Larsson, 46-2 (733); Geffre, 45-7 1/4 (714); Lewis, 42-10 1/4 (689); Doyle, 41-9 1/4 (633); Canfield, 40-10 1/4 (626); Johnson, 38-9 1/4 (585); Others: Wheeler, 38-3 (576); 1. Paananen, 37-9 1/4 (566).

**HIGH JUMP**—Allen, 6-10 1/4 (942); Johnson, 6-6 1/4 (849); Canfield, 6-5 1/4 (822); Larson and Wheeler, 6-4 (796);

1. Paananen, 6-0 1/4 (716).  
400—Allen, 48.2 (889); Johnson, 48.5 (879); Canfield, 49.9 (810); Larson, 50.9 (764); Wheeler and 1. Paananen, 51.2 (753).

### PRELIMINARIES

#### 100

4 in each heat qualify for final

**HEAT ONE**—1. L. Williams (UCLA), 16.94; 2. Coleman (Oregon), 17.95; 3. K. Williams (USC), 11.91; 4. Nelson (Stanford), 11.82.

**HEAT TWO**—1. Andrews (USC), 16.78; 2. Banks (Oregon), 17.97; 3. Edwards (USC), 11.16; 4. Krause (Washington), 11.18.

#### 200

4 in each heat qualify for final

**HEAT ONE**—1. Edwards (USC), 21.19; 2. Mullins (USC), 21.19; 3. Andrews (USC), 21.21; 4. Lofton (Stanford), 21.35.

**HEAT TWO**—1. Sanford (USC), 21.06; 2. Foster (UCLA), 21.35; 3. Kedian (Washington St.), 21.44; 4. Banks (Oregon), 21.55. Others: 6. Williams (USC), 21.74.

#### 400

Four in each heat qualify for final

**HEAT ONE**—1. Goldston (UCLA), 47.22; 2. Mullins (USC), 47.46; 3. Hession (Oregon St.), 47.80; 4. Shoats (Stanford), 47.92.

**HEAT TWO**—1. Thompson (UCLA), 48.47; 2. Ramsey (Washington St.), 47.39; 3. Sanford (USC), 47.71; 4. Barnes (Oregon St.), 48.30.

#### 800

Four in each heat qualify for final

**HEAT ONE**—1. Walton (Oregon), 1:50.6; 2. Johnson (USC), 1:51.0; 3. Beaton (USC), 1:51.4; 4. St. Pierre (Washington St.), 1:52.1.

**HEAT TWO**—1. Suhr (UCLA), 1:53.1; 2. Omwense (USC), 1:53.1; 3. Brown (California), 1:53.5; 4. Radford (Washington), 2:04.4.

#### 1,500

Four in each heat qualify for final

**HEAT ONE**—1. Omwense (USC), 3:44.5; 2. Chape (Oregon), 3:44.7; 3. Nelson (Oregon), 3:47.3; 4. Stillman (Stanford), no time. Others: 5. Williams (UCLA), 3:53.8.

**HEAT TWO**—1. Favell (Washington), 3:43.7; 2. Cantrowitz (Oregon), 3:44.8; 3. Clifford (California), 3:44.8; 4. Lobsinger (Stanford), 3:46.2. Others: 7. Russell (UCLA), no time.

#### 110 HIGH HURDLES

Four in each heat qualify for final

**HEAT ONE**—1. Foster (UCLA), 14.40; 2. Turner (Washington St.), 14.46; 3. Pratt (California), 15.10; 4. Spearing (Oregon St.), 15.11.

**HEAT TWO**—1. Owens (UCLA), 14.26; 2. Bruce (Washington St.), 14.46; 3. Smith (California), 14.64; 4. Graybehl (UCLA), 14.68.

#### 400 INTERMEDIATE HURDLES

Four in each heat qualify for final

**HEAT ONE**—1. Graybehl (USC), 51.2; 2. Smith (California), 51.87; 3. Susac (Oregon St.), 52.39; 4. Young (UCLA), 52.67.

**HEAT TWO**—1. Pratt (California), 50.72; 2. Fields (Oregon St.), 51.43; 3. Seymour (Washington St.), 51.64; 4. Bell (Oregon), 51.83. Others: McNeal (UCLA), disqualified for running out of lane.