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MIT indoor track team overwhelms opponents

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Under the pale, bluish tint of the fluorescent, artificial skies of the Athletics Center, the MIT track team overwhelmed its 21 opponents in the 6th annual New England Division III Indoor Track and Field Championships, held last Saturday.

In doing so, the Engineers also set a new record for most points scored in "the championships — 107, breaking the old mark of 104, set by MIT in 1982, Brandeis University, which squeaked by MIT 86-84 in last year's championship, finished twenty points behind the dominant Engineers.

Coach Gordon Kelly of MIT said, "The team just put on a tremendous effort, and they probably could not have done any better." He added, "It is a proof of their performance." Assistant coach Halton Taylor also noted, "They just wanted to win this one bad."

Co-captain Pat "Big Man" Taddiken '85 and Greg "Pee Fce" Procopio '85 out-muscled their opponents in the 35-lb. weight throw, Purvis captured first place, setting both a meet record and a new facility record with a throw of 59' 6-3/4'. Procopio's height back did not give him any problems, and his performance showed it. His throw of 57' 3-1/2" was good enough for second place.

In the jumping department, Ed Freeman '86 was the only Engineer to place in any of the events. He leaped 21' 6-3/4" to capture second place in the long jump.

Gordon Holterman '87 did the best he could in feeding off Mas Beeman (Brandels), James Godber (Bates), and Tom Pickerty (Colby), but he settled for a loss, 3:33.35 fourth-place in the 1500 meter run. Beeman set a meet record, and a new facility record of 3:49.68, breaking the old record of Paul Neyes '83.

In the 55-meter hurdles, Scott Garrett '86 secured fourth place with a time of 7.85 seconds. Winner of the event, Victor Gliner of Westfield State, set a new facility record of 7.71 seconds.

Dan Lin '86 finished fourth in the 400-meter dash with his time of 50.88 seconds. Mike Ham...