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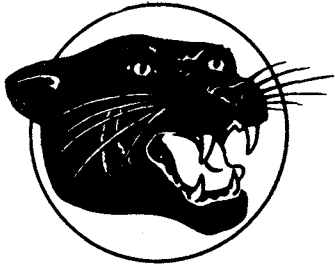
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# Panther Sports News

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL (April 15, 1986) - The Eastern Illinois men's track team will host the EIU Invitational this weekend at O'Brien Field. Eastern is coming off a good performance at the Dogwood Relays and hope to determine a line-up for the conference meet next weekend.

"This should be a very good meet," said Eastern head coach Neil Moore. "There should be about 10 teams here, and this will be a regular NCAA meet, but will have no team scoring."

Jim Maton (SHELBYVILLE) has been Eastern's most consistent runner this far in the season. Maton set a school record in the 800 meter run last weekend with a time of 1:49.7. He also has the best time in the 1500 meter run with a time of 3:52.77.

Ian Isaacs is expected to do well at this weekend's invitational. Isaacs has Eastern's best times for the season in the 100, 200, and 400 meter sprints. In the 100 meter his time is 10.6. In the 200 meter 21.7, and in the 400 meter 47.56.

"In this meet we will experiment with our line-up, by running different people in different events," Moore said.

The Panthers are also expecting strong showings from their weightmen. Larry Thoennissen (MORTON) holds Eastern's school record in the hammer throw at 183 feet-2 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Dan Matas (OAK PARK) placed fifth in the shot put at the Dogwood Relays with a put of 55 feet-10 inches.