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### MEAC coaches pick Hornets to finish third in football

DOVER -- Delaware State's football team was picked to finish tied for third place in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference in the preseason coaches' poll released Thursday.

The Hornets (7-4, 6-2 MEAC last season), were picked to finish tied with Florida A&M.

Hampton, the league's defending champion, was selected to repeat, while South Carolina State was picked second.

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In the media poll, the Hornets were picked to finish fourth behind Hampton, South Carolina State and Bethune-Cookman.

DSU opens against FAMU in the Detroit Football Classic on Sept. 2 at Ford Field. The Hornets report to summer practice on Aug . 6.

### Falgowski makes another U.S. team

One day after being named to the U.S. Field Hockey World Cup training squad, Katelyn Falgowski has been re-selected to the 2006-07 national women's Under-21 team. A rising senior at St. Mark's High, Falgowski played for the same team last year. This team represents the U.S. at various international competitions in preparation for the 2008 Olympics in Beijing, should the United States qualify. Falgowski has made a verbal commitment to accept a scholarship from four-time NCAA champion North Carolina

### Diamond State Kings reach round of 16

The 12U Diamond State Kings boys basketball team from Wilmington reached the round of 16 at the AAU Division I National Championships, which ended Saturday in Newport News, Va. More than 100 teams competed in the tournament, which was won by the Long Island Lightning.

### Bursler 41st in Death Valley run

David Bursler, of Bear, finished the Badwater Ultramarathon on Wednesday. The start line is at Badwater in Death Valley, Calif., the lowest elevation in the Western Hemisphere. The race finishes at the Mount Whitney Portals, a 135-mile stretch over two

days.

Bursler's bib number was 41, his age is 41 and he finished 41st among 86 starters. He is believed to be the

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only Delawarean entered in the international field, and the first runner from Delaware to participate.

### Gallucio stingy in goal for hockey champs

Nick Gallucio, of Hockessin, recorded five straight shutouts as he helped Hollydell of Aston, Pa., win the Bantam Minor (13-year-old) division in the Boston Challenge Cup ice hockey tournament last weekend in Marlborough, Mass. Hollydell defeated Top Dog I (Maine) 12-0 in the championship game. There were 13 teams in the division. Gallucio attends H.B. du Pont Middle School.



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