

## Eastler Makes US Olympic Team

Led by Kevin Eastler, several Maine high school alums competed in the Olympic Track & Field Trials in Sacramento July 10-18.

Eastler, a graduate of Mt.Blue HS and the US Air Force Academy, placed third in the 20 kilometer racewalk in 1:28:49; the place combined with his having an Olympic Games "A" standard puts him on the plane to Athens. Two spots behind Eastler, Ben Shorey (Ellsworth), representing Wisconsin-Parkside, placed fifth in the same event at 1:31:58.

Matt Lane (North Yarmouth Academy) ran 13:33.51 to finish in the agonizing fourth spot in the finals of the 5000 meters, the second Trials in a row where he recorded that placing. He has the Olympic "B" standard, and will need to better the "A" of Louis Luchini (Ellsworth) placed 12th in the same 5000 race at 13:50.64.

In the 1500, Erik Nedeau (Kennebunk) made it through two rounds, running 3:42.90 in the quarterfinal and 3:44.41 in the semi-final. Another Kennebunk alum (two schools with two Trials participants - someone's doing something right!), Jamie Cook placed 18 in the decathlon, scoring 7165 points.

On the women's side, Anne Favolise (Naraguagus) placed 8th in the 20 kilometer walk in 1:49:31; she'll be representing the USA at the NACAC U-23 meet in Sherbrooke, Quebec, on August 1. The lone current Maine collegian to compete was Elizabeth Wanless of Bates in the shot put; she finished 13th in the qualifying round with a toss of 51'3", just one place out of making the finals.