

Brooklynn Ventura , a 2009 Waterloo graduate, had an outstanding career earning a total of 13 Varsity letters in a variety of sports including cheerleading and soccer. She left a tremendous legacy with the Waterloo running programs earning nine letters in cross country, indoor track and outdoor track where she saw her greatest success. A five year letter winner in spring track, Brooklyn earned 11 Wayne-Finger Lakes League championships.

She found even more success at sectionals winning 13 sectional shields, three each in her freshman, sophomore, and senior years. She added four additional patches her junior year. This includes four each in both hurdle races where she broke the Class B record in both in 2007.

Brooklynn continued her dominance in the hurdle races, winning the Division 2 state qualifier in both races all four years. She also qualified in the long jump and 200m but elected not to run the 200m. At the state meet she won back to back Division 2 state titles in the 400m hurdles in 2007 and 2008. She added a title in the 100m high hurdles in 2008. In addition to her gold medals she picked up two thirds, a fourth and a fifth state medal and four Federation medals.

Brooklyn graduated from Waterloo owning four outdoor school records, the 100m high hurdles in 14.51, the 400m hurdles in 61.65, the 200m in 26.15 and the long jump at 17'4". Her two hurdle performances are also top ten all time performances for Section Five. She also owns the 8th best 55m high hurdles time for indoor track.

Her outstanding career earned her many accolades including five MVP awards for outdoor track and another for indoor track at Waterloo. She was the Daily Messenger Track Athlete of the year for three consecutive years, was named to the All Greater Rochester Track and Field team in 2007,'08 and '09 and was the 2007 Small School Athlete of the Year. She was also awarded the Waterloo 3 Sport Silver Bowl Award.

After graduation she attended the University of Buffalo on a track scholarship. While at UB she bettered her PR's with a 13.67 in the high hurdles, a 24.52 in the 200m and an 8:18 at 60 meters. She also ran an 8:44 for the 60m hurdles indoors. She was a UB school record holder at six different times in her career. She was also a two time NCAA Division I qualifier in the 100m hurdles.

We want to congratulate Brooklynn on her outstanding career and a well-deserved place in the Section Five Outdoor Track and Field Hall of Fame.