

THOMPSON, Sarah

Thompson sets records in lifting

Belleville's Sarah Thompson set three world power lifting records for blind athletes and earned four gold medals at the United States Association of Blind Athletes championships held at Southeast Missouri State University this past weekend.

Thompson competed in the 82.5 kg. class in power lifting, setting world marks in the squat with 92.5 kg., the bench press at 47.5 kg. and the dead lift at 115 kg. for a total of 255 kg., taking the gold medal in her weight class.

A total of five world records were set in the blind power lifting competition, three by Thompson.

She also earned four gold medals in field events in the Masters Division, shot put, discus, javelin and long jump, all personal bests.

Thompson lifted more weight than any female in any of the weight categories.

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