

Cherokee's Lucciano Pizarro continues mind-blowing breakthrough season with M-of-C shot put title, 60-foot bomb!!!!

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Lucciano Pizarro's remarkable breakthrough senior season got even more remarkable Saturday when Pizarro – who had a shot put PR of 52-10 just seven weeks ago – won the Meet of Champions with a bomb of 60-11.

Take a look at Pizarro's progression:

Freshman year [2016]

Indoors: 35-6 1/2

Outdoors 36-2

Sophomore year [2017]

Indoors: 37-3

Outdoors: 38-3

Junior year [2018]

Indoors: 50-1

Outdoors: 52-10

Senior year [2019]

Indoors: 52-3

Outdoors: 60-11

THIS is why you stick with it even if you don't experience immediate success in track and field! Pizarro didn't throw 40 feet until 17 months ago!

Now he's an all-time great!

Pizarro became the fourteenth 60-footer in South Jersey history and the second in Burlington County history (and the second in two years), following Cinnaminson's Kamron Kobolak, who threw 61-11 3/4 last spring (and won the Meet of Champions discus).

Pizarro is Cherokee's first Meet of Champions winner since **Marc Pelerin** won the 1,600 in 4:12.74. He's only the seventh shot put champ from South Jersey in the Meet of Champions' 51-year history (Ray Wilks won twice) and only the fourth in the last 23 years:

1990: Chris Robinson [Penns Grove], 64-4 1/2

1994: Ray Wilks [Bridgeton], 60-7

1995: Ray Wilks [Bridgeton], 64-5

1996: Ron Dayne [Overbrook], 63-10 1/4

2003: Chris Pressley [Woodbury], 59-7 3/4

2004: Ell Ash [Willingboro], 59-8 1/2

2013: Josh Awotunde [Delsea], 61-1

2019: Lucciano Pizarro [Cherokee], 60-11

SOUTH JERSEY ALL-TIME SHOT PUT LIST

68-8 1/2 ... Braheme Days Jr. [Bridgeton] 2012

64-10 1/2 ... Jon Kalnas [Paulsboro], 1997

64-6 1/4 ... Ron Dayne [Overbrook], 1996

64-5 ... Ray Wilks [Bridgeton], 1995

64-4 1/4 ... Chris Robinson [Penns Grove], 1990

62-10 1/4 ... Nick Pulli [West Deptford], 2014

63-0 ... Lou Gordon [Bridgeton], 1995

61-11 3/4 ... Kamron Kobolak [Cinnaminson], 2018

61-10 1/2 ... Harry Dilts [Pitman], 1971

61-6 ... Josh Awotunde [Delsea], 2013

61-4 1/2 ... Bubba Green [Millville], 1976

61-4 ... Kofi Yamoah [Egg Harbor Twp.], 2013

61-2 1/4 ... Matthew Huckabee, [Timber Creek], 2010

60-11 ... Lucciano Pizarro [Cherokee], 2019

60-3 ... Donate Rivera [Pleasantville], 2012

59-9 ... **Lucciano Pizarro [Cherokee], 2019**

59-8 1/2 ... Ell Ash [Willingboro], 2004

59-7 3/4 ... Chris Pressley [Woodbury], 2003

59-5 1/4 ... Cade Antonucci [Holy Spirit], 2017