



NYAC ATHLETICS NEWS

Swimming - Held and Escobedo Contesting World Championships

The FINA World Swimming Championships in Abu Dhabi began on Thursday, December 16th and will run until Tuesday, December 21st. On the first day of competition, Ryan Held and his US teammates secured the bronze medal in the 4x100m freestyle relay, with a finishing time of 3:05.42. The Russian Swimming Federation (RSF) won the event in 3:03.45 with Italy second in 3:03.61. **Held** will also be contesting the 50m freestyle, the 100m freestyle and other relays for Team USA. **Emily Escobedo** will race the 100m and 200m breaststroke. For a complete competition schedule, [click here](#). Stay tuned for further results.



Fencing - December North American Cup

The NYAC sent a strong contingent of fencers to the December North American Cup, held from Thursday, December 9th to Sunday, December 12th in Columbus, OH. **Ethan Kushnerik** finished sixth in the junior men's epee, while **Kat Holmes** placed 17th in the Division I women's epee. In the Division I men's epee, **Ryan Griffiths** tied for 17th, **Jonathan Yergler** took 30th, and **Gabriel Canaux** placed 32nd. For complete results, [click here](#).

Triathlon - Interview with Tokyo Olympian Taylor Knibb

The NYAC's **Taylor Knibb**, Tokyo 2020 silver medalist in the mixed team relay, is the youngest woman ever to be selected for the US triathlon team. At the time of the Tokyo Games, she was 23 years old. [Click here](#) to learn about Taylor's triathlon journey.



Judo - Colton Brown to Open NJ Dojo

The NYAC's **Colton Brown**, Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020 Olympic judoka, is set to open his own dojo in Warren, NJ within the next eight weeks. Colton retired from competitive judo following the Tokyo Olympic Games. In opening the Colton Brown Training Center and imparting his extensive judo knowledge to the next generation of competitors, Colton follows in the footsteps of NYAC judo legends, Jason Morris and Jimmy Pedro.

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Olympics - The Opening Ceremony for the Paris 2024 Games will be held along the River Seine with a boat parade of athletes. Moving the ceremony out of the traditional stadium setting will allow hundreds of thousands of spectators to enjoy the event at no charge. [Click here](#) to learn more.



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