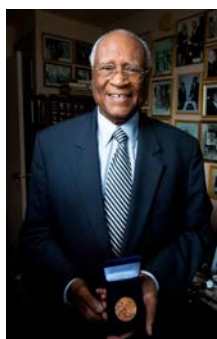




# NYAC ATHLETICS NEWS

## Happy 100th to Herb Douglas



Olympic bronze medalist and NYAC Hall of Famer, **Herb Douglas**, celebrated his 100th birthday on Wednesday, March 9th. The oldest living American Olympic medalist, Herb secured his medal in the long jump at the 1948 Olympic Games in London. These days a resident of Philadelphia, he returned to his hometown of Pittsburgh, PA to celebrate the big day, with his 98-year-old wife, Minerva, by his side. In addition to his track and field accolades, Herb was an accomplished football player while studying at the University of Pittsburgh. He was also, for many years, the driving force behind the Jesse Owens Award, these days housed in the NYAC's Hall of Fame. Herb and the legendary Owens were close friends until the latter's death in 1980. Many congratulations to Herb on a century of athletic achievement.



## Fencing - Holmes and Cebula Excel in Budapest

On Saturday, March 5th in Budapest, Hungary, NYAC fencers **Kat Holmes** and **Anne Cebula** placed sixth and seventh, respectively, each with 21 points, in the senior épée competition at the Westend Grand Prix this past. Two hundred and ten fencers from around the world took to the piste in this competition. The NYAC women's results mark the first time that two USA fencers have finished in the top eight of a World Cup tournament. Alberta Santuccio of Italy took the gold medal, Anna Kun of Hungary, the silver, and Injeong Choi of South Korea, the bronze. For complete results from Budapest, [click here](#).



## Track and Field - Kieffer Finishes Fourth in Ostia



At the Ostia Half Marathon in Ostia, Italy on Sunday, March 6th, the NYAC's **Allie Kieffer** finished fourth, with a personal best time of 1:09:17. Irene Kimais of Kenya won the women's race with a personal best of 1:06:03. For results from Ostia, [click here](#).

- Coming up next week, from Friday, March 18th to Sunday, March 20th, **Tori Franklin** will contest the triple jump at the World Athletics Indoor Championships in Belgrade, Serbia. For details of the meet, [click here](#). As of March 1st, Tori was ranked second in the United States, behind California's Keturah Orji, and 16th in the world. [Click here](#) to see the full triple jump rankings.
- Also next week, on Sunday, March 20th **Tatyana McFadden** will race the NYRR NYC Half Marathon. For details about the Half, [click here](#).

## Triathlon - Kasper Secures Silver in Tierra Verde

On Sunday, March 6th, **Kirsten Kasper** and her fiancée, Matt Sharpe, secured a silver medal at the Couples Championship in Tierra Verde, FL. Each partner swam 0.25 miles, cycled 10 miles, and ran 3.1 miles. For results from Tierra Verde, [click here](#).

- Today, March 11th, **Ben Kanute** will contest Clash Miami at the Homestead-Miami Speedway in Miami, FL. The race will consist of a 1700m swim, 62.7K bike, and 16.9K run, all centered around the Speedway. For more information about the Miami race, [click here](#).
- This Saturday, March 12th, **Morgan Pearson** and Kirsten Kasper will race the 2022 Americas Triathlon Cup Sarasota-Bradenton in Sarasota, FL. The race will follow a sprint format, comprising a 750m swim, an 18.3K bike and a 5K run. For more information about Sarasota, [click here](#).



## Soccer - NYAC vs. Richmond County FC

The NYAC Firsts and Reserves faced Richmond County FC on Sunday, March 6th at Travers Island and finished with a draw and a loss. The Firsts drew, 2-2, while the Reserves lost, 1-5. Coming up this Sunday, March 13th, the NYAC men will face Hoboken FC 1912 at 12pm at Travers Island. For more information about the Cosmopolitan Soccer League, [click here](#). For a live stream of the league games, [click here](#).

## Swimming - Held and DeLoof at TYR Westmont



**Ryan Held** and **Gabby DeLoof** secured three bronze medals, collectively, at the TYR Pro Swim Series Westmont meet, which was hosted in Westmont, IL from Wednesday, March 2nd to Saturday, March 5th. Held finished third in both the 100m long course freestyle (49.40 seconds) and the 50m long course freestyle (22.29 seconds). DeLoof finished third in the 200m long course freestyle (1:59.98). Ryan and Gabby each made several other finals in the meet. For complete results, [click here](#). For more information about the meet, [click here](#).

## Water Polo - NYAC Men Chasing National League Title

After claiming the Senior Nationals championship in summer 2021, the NYAC will face the top water polo clubs in the nation this weekend with the kick-off of the 2022 National League in Huntington Beach, CA, taking place from Saturday, March 12th to Sunday, March 13th. On Saturday, March 12th the NYAC will face the Olympic Club at 9:10pm EST, and on Sunday, March 13th, USA Collegiate at 2:40pm EST and USA Academy at 6:50pm EST. Three 2022 men's senior US national team players, **Alex Obert**, **Jesse Smith**, and **Alex Roelse**, will lead the NYAC in Huntington Beach. To read more about the tournament, [click here](#). To watch live streams of the games, [click here](#). Coming up next month, the NYAC men and women will contest the Desert Duel in Tempe, AZ on April 2nd – [click here](#) to read about it. Also in April, the NYAC men will compete at Navy in Annapolis, MD from April 9th-10th. Stay tuned for further details and results.



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**New York City Marathon** - Entries have opened and will close on the 23rd. Lucky entrants selected, March 30th. [Click here](#) to apply.

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