

NYAC ATHLETICS NEWS

Track and Field - Three Medals at the USATF Indoor Championships

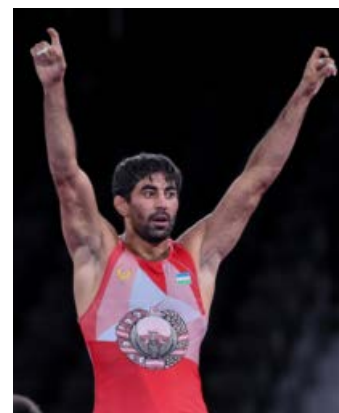


At the USATF Indoor Championships in Spokane, WA (Saturday, February 26th to Sunday, February 27th), US indoor record holder **Tori Franklin** secured a silver medal in the triple jump with a mark of 13.78m/45-02 ½, a placing that qualified her to compete in the 2022 World Indoor Championships, set to take place in Belgrade, Serbia from March 18th-20th. California's Keturah Orji took the title with a jump of 14.28m/46-10 ¼. For more information about the Belgrade world championships, [click here](#). **Will Claye** and **Rudy Winkler** each placed third in their events, the triple jump and the weight throw, respectively. Claye's best mark was his third attempt, 16.63m/54-06 ¾, while Winkler's best mark, 23.77m/78-00, was his sixth and last. [Click here](#) for a post-meet interview with Rudy. Notably, the meet, American and world record (25.86m/84-10 1/4) in the weight throw was set by the NYAC's Lance Deal in 1995. **Janeah Stewart** finished fourth in the women's weight throw with a mark of 23.36m/76-07 ¾, and **Brycen Spratling** placed third in the second heat of the 400m prelims, crossing the line in 47.24. He did not advance to the final. For full results from Spokane, [click here](#).

• This coming weekend, **Emmanuel Corvera** will contest 20K race walk at the World Athletics Race Walking Team Championships taking place in Muscat, Oman from Friday to Saturday, March 4th to 5th. For more about the meet, [click here](#). • The NYC Half Marathon professional field has been announced for the March 20th race, including 24 Olympians and eight Paralympians, one of which being the NYAC's **Tatyana McFadden**. The 20-time Paralympic medalist aims to defend her title in the wheelchair division. The race was last held in 2019, the field is expected to exceed 25,000 competitors. For details of the NYC Half, [click here](#). • This Saturday, March 5th, Morgan Pearson will race the 15K at the Gate River Run in Jacksonville, FL. A native of New Vernon, NJ and among the USA's foremost triathletes, Pearson secured a silver medal for Team USA in the mixed relay at the 2020 Tokyo Games, along with NYAC teammates Katie Zaferes and Taylor Knibb. For details of the Gate River Run, [click here](#). If you feel like re-living the Tokyo action, [click here](#).

Wrestling - Bronze for Bekzod

Bekzod Abdurakhmonov (86kg) secured a freestyle bronze medal for Uzbekistan at the United World Wrestling Yasar Dogu, Vehbi Emre and Hamit Kaplan Tournament, held in Istanbul, Turkey from Thursday, February 24th to Sunday, February 27th. Bekzod defeated Maksat Satybaldy of Kazakhstan in the round of 16 and Tarzan Maisuradze of Georgia in the quarter-final. In the semi-final, the NYAC Olympic bronze medalist was defeated by Osman Gocen of Turkey. However, in the repechage Bekzod defeated Akhmed Aibuev of France, by VPO1, 4-4, securing the bronze. This tournament marks a significant change of weight class for Bekzod, who won the bronze medal at 74kg at the 2020 Tokyo Games. [Click here](#) for results from Istanbul.



Swimming - Held hits the Water

From Wednesday, March 2nd to Saturday, March 5th, NYAC swimmers, including Rio 2016 Olympic gold medalist **Ryan Held**, will contest a variety of races at the TYR Pro Swim Series in Westmont, IL. For details of the meet, [click here](#). Check back next week for results. The current edition of *The Winged Foot* contains a full-page interview with Ryan. [Click here](#).

Soccer - Action at Travers Island

This Sunday, March 6th, the NYAC men will face Richmond County FC at Travers Island. Kick off is at 12pm. Check back next week for results.

News

Olympics - Today, March 4th, the Opening Ceremony will kick off the Beijing 2022 Paralympic Winter Games which will run until Sunday, March 13th. [Click here](#) to read more about the Games.

Aquatics - **Swimming - Diving - Water Polo**. FINA announces schedule for 2022 World Championships, June 18th to July 3rd in Budapest. [Click here](#).



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