

## ATHLETICS NEWS



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## Rugby Sevens - US Men Defeat Argentina in Perth Pool Play

**Friday, January 24th – Sunday, January 26th; Perth, Australia** – The US men recorded a win against Argentina, 24-19, during Pool A play at the [HSBC Rugby Sevens Perth](#) stop and losses to South Africa (19-24, Pool A), Australia (12-19, Pool A), Kenya (21-26, 9th Place Semi Final) and Ireland (17-19, 11th Place Play-Off). In the win against Argentina, the NYAC's **Steve Tomasin** achieved two conversions. With three stops completed and three to go (Vancouver on 2/21-2/23, Hong Kong on 3/28-3/30, and Singapore on 4/5-4/6), the US men are in 11th place in the standings with five points. Fiji, Argentina, and Spain are in first, second, and third, respectively, each with 48 points. The top eight teams at the conclusion of the Singapore round in April will advance to a winner-takes-all Grand Final in Madrid in May. [Click here](#) for full results from Perth.

## Track and Field - Price Victorious at Fighting Illini Challenge

**Friday, January 24th – Saturday, January 25th; Champaign, IL** – The NYAC's **Deanna Price**, 2019 world champion in the hammer throw, won the weight throw competition at the [Fighting Illini Challenge](#) with a mark of 75-10 1/4/23.12m. Price has served as an assistant throws coach at the University of Illinois, host of the meet, since 2022, and her athletes, Phethisang Makhethe' and Jordan Koskondy finished second (70-6 1/2/21.50m) and third (69-4/21.13m), respectively, in the competition. [Click here](#) for full results from Illinois. • **Friday, January 24th – Sunday, January 26th; Rouen, France** – The NYAC's **Chris Nilsen**, Tokyo 2020 Olympic pole vault silver medalist, finished seventh in that event at the [Perche Elite Tour Rouen](#) meeting with a mark of 5.65m. Greece's Emmanouil Karalis won with 5.85m, France's Baptiste Thiery took second with 5.75m, and fellow American Sam Kendricks took third, also with 5.75m. [Click here](#) for full results from Rouen.



## Fencing - NYAC Fencers Compete in Bulgaria and Qatar



**Thursday, January 23rd – Sunday, January 26th; Plovdiv, Bulgaria** – The NYAC's **Mitchell Saron** and **Shaul Gordon** (CAN), both Paris 2024 Olympians, contested the [FIE Plovdiv Sabre World Cup](#), finishing 35th and 77th, respectively. Paris 2024 Olympic champion Sanguk Oh of South Korea won the overall competition. [Click here](#) for full results from Plovdiv. • **Friday, January 24th – Sunday, January 26th; Doha, Qatar** – The NYAC had a four-fencer contingent at the [FIE Epee Doha Grand Prix](#), with **Theodore Lombardo** (113th), **Justin Yoo** (160th), and **Ian Sanders** (213th) in the men's competition and **Natalia Toby** (163rd) in the women's. Belgium's Neisser Loyola, 2022 world bronze medalist, claimed the men's title, and Hong Kong's Kaylin Sin Yan Hsieh, the women's. [Click here](#) for full results from Doha.

## News

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**Money** – Opportunities for athletes to earn money should be increased. The story is [here](#).

**Boxing** – IBA calls on President Trump to assist with inclusion in the LA28 Olympic Games. [Click here](#) for the details.

**IOC** – The race to decide who will succeed Thomas Bach as head of the International Olympic Committee is in the home straight. [Click here](#) for the details.

## Upcoming Events

**JUDO: Saturday, February 1st - Sunday, February 2nd** [IJF World Tour Paris Grand Slam](#) – Paris, France – Jack Yonezuka (-81kg), Maria Laborde (-48kg) [More info](#)

**TRACK AND FIELD: Saturday, February 8th** [Millrose Games](#) – NY, NY [More info](#)

**WRESTLING: Wednesday, February 5th – Sunday, February 9th** [UWW Zagreb Open](#) – Zagreb, Croatia – Mitch Finesilver (ISR; 86kg FS), Nathan Jackson (86kg FS), Maxwell Black (60kg GR), Jesse Porter (82kg GR) [More Info](#)

**FENCING: Friday, February 7th – Sunday, February 9th** [FIE Foil Grand Prix](#) – Turin, Italy – James Bourtis, Marcello Olivares. [More info](#)

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