



NYAC Throwers Victorious at USATF Throws Festival

Andersen Records #4 US All-Time Hammer Mark

Saturday, May 4th; Tucson, AZ – NYAC throwers **Brooke Andersen** (women's hammer), **Daniel Haugh** (men's hammer), and **Maggie Malone-Hardin** (women's javelin) were all victorious at last weekend's [USATF Throws Festival](#) in Arizona. Andersen claimed her victory with a world-leading 79.92m/262-2, the fourth-farthest throw in US history. Notably, the NYAC's DeAnna Price holds the current American record in the event, which she set at 80.31m/263-6 in June of 2021. Daniel Haugh, ranked #6 in the world this year, won the men's hammer with a mark of 79.01m/259-2, almost matching his season's best. Denzel Comenentia took second at 77.75m/255-1, and the NYAC's **Rudy Winkler** was third at 76.89m/252-3. (NB: the men's hammer weighs 16lbs; the women's implement weighs 8.8lbs). In the women's javelin, Maggie Malone clinched a comfortable win with a throw of 60.17m/197-5, France's Alizee Minard took second with 58.68m, and fellow US teammate Madison Willtrout took third with 57.78m. [Click here](#) for complete results from Tucson. NYAC track and field athletes look ahead to the US Olympic Trials, which will be held in Eugene, OR from June 21st to 30th. [Click here](#) to learn more about the Trials.

• **Friday, May 3rd; New York, NY** – At the [Trials of Miles](#) meet in New York City's Icahn Stadium, the NYAC's **Mikey Brannigan** finished 10th in the seeded 1500m in a time of 3:51.80. The victory went to Travis Mahoney won in 3:46.62. [Click here](#) for complete results from Trials of Miles. Brannigan, the 2016 Paralympic T20 1500m champion, will contest the US Paralympic Team Trials, which will be contested from July 18th to 20th at the Ansin Sports Complex in Miramar, FL. [Click here](#) for details.



Judo - Yonezuka Earns Valuable Points at the Dunshanbe Grand Slam

Friday, May 3rd – Sunday, May 5th; Dunshanbe, Tajikistan – The NYAC's **Jack Yonezuka** earned the top finish of the weekend for Team USA at the Dunshanbe Grand Slam, where he placed seventh in the 73 kg division on Saturday. The two-time Junior World Champion added 100 points to his Olympic Ranking total and is expected to climb from his #15 position in the filtered rankings. The top 17 athletes in each weight category as of June 24th will secure their berths to Tokyo. The two-time Junior World Championships medalist drew a bye into the round of 32 where he pinned Mahamadsharif Najmudinov (TJK). Yonezuka took his next match to the ground as well, pinning Arun Kumar (IND) to make the quarter-finals. In the next round, he fought Mukhammad Jumaev (UZB) and was thrown for ippon (instant win). Jumaev, a 2019 Junior World Championships Team member, went on to surprise the field with a bronze medal finish in only his second IJF tournament in nearly five years. Yonezuka drew two-time Grand Slam medalist Erdenebayar Batzaya (MGL) in the repechage, but was thrown for ippon and ended the day in seventh place. Also in Dushanbe, the NYAC's **Angie Delgado** (-52kg), **Maria Laborde** (-48kg), **Hannah Martin** (-63kg) and **Nicolas Yonezuka** (-81kg) all went out in the first round. [Click here](#) for full results from Dushanbe. - Report from Nicole Jomantas, USA Judo.

Fencing - Action in Seoul and Cali

Saturday, May 4th – Monday, May 6th; Seoul, South Korea – The NYAC's Paris 2024 Olympian, **Mitchell Saron**, placed 23rd in the saber competition at the [FIE Saber Grand Prix](#) in Seoul, a competition won by Egypt's 2020 Olympian, Ziad Elsisy. The USA's Dilip Dolegiewicz and Colin Heathcock tied for third. Full results from Seoul are [here](#).

• Also last weekend, **Kat Holmes** and **Anne Cebula**, both of whom are on the US team for Paris, placed 48th and 67th, respectively, in the epee competition at the [FIE Grand Prix](#) in Cali, Colombia, held from **Saturday, May 4th to Sunday, May 5th**. [Click here](#) for full results.



Upcoming Events

Events of particular note this coming weekend are the wrestling [World Olympic Qualifier](#) in Turkey and the [World Triathlon Championship Series](#) in Japan. Both events offer the opportunity for Olympic qualification and NYAC athletes will be in the mix in both places. The judo tournament in Kazakhstan offers the chance for judokas to claim precious points that, hopefully, will see them ranked among the top 17 in the world, that being the path to qualification for the Paris Games.

WRESTLING: Thursday, May 9th - Sunday, May 12th [World Olympic Qualifier](#) - Istanbul, Turkey [More info](#)

JUDO: Friday, May 10th - Sunday, May 12th [IJF Qazaqstan Barysy Grand Slam](#) - Almaty, Kazakhstan [More info](#)

TRIATHLON: Saturday, May 11th [World Triathlon Championship Series Yokohama](#) - Yokohama, Japan - Vincent Luis, Matt McElroy, Morgan Pearson, Kevin McDowell, Taylor Spivey, Summer Rappaport, Taylor Knibb, Kirsten Kasper [More info](#)

TRACK AND FIELD: Friday, May 17th - Saturday, May 18th [2024 USATF Los Angeles Grand Prix](#) - Los Angeles, CA [More info](#)

News

Olympics – On Monday, May 6th, the Paris 2024 Aquatics Center hosted a women's water polo test event featuring Team USA and Team France. With many of the NYAC's water polo stars, including Maggie Steffens and Ashleigh Johnson, on the team, the US defeated France, 12-6.

More Olympics – The controversy sparked by Sebastian Coe's announcement that Olympic track and field champions would receive prize money continues. IOC President Thomas Bach stated, that prize money should not be "the role of an international sports federation." Coe stated, "This misnomer that every Olympic champion is going off into the Elysian Fields of commerciality is just naive and wrong." [Click here](#) (and scroll down) to read the full story in *The Sports Examiner*.

Get to Know the NYAC's Paris '24 Olympians

Q&A with Mitchell Saron – As we approach the Olympic Games, each week we will spotlight the NYAC's Paris 2024 Olympians and Paralympians, with in-depth interviews posted on our dedicated Paris 2024 micro site. This week, hear from saber specialist Mitchell Saron.

Mitchell Saron - "I feel that my mentality and my training set me apart from other fencers...I'm taking a very holistic approach in my daily routine. I regularly meditate, do ice baths, use red light therapy, drink and eat raw dairy, eat only grass-fed meat, cut out alcohol entirely, and my personal list goes on..."

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