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Triathlon - Taylor Knibb Claims Yokohama Bronze

Saturday, May 13th - Sunday, May 14th; Yokohama, Japan - The NYAC's Athlete of the Year, Taylor Knibb, the 2022 Ironman 70.3 world champion and Tokyo 2020 mixed relay Olympic silver medalist, claimed the bronze medal at 2023 World Triathlon Championship Series Yokohama with a finish of 1:54:02, completing the 1500m swim in 18:37, the 40.05K bike in 59:29 and the 10K run in 34:17. Sophie Coldwell of Great Britain won in 1:53:32, and Rosa Maria Tapia Vidal of Mexico took second in 1:53:49. The NYAC's Taylor Spivey logged the fastest bike leg of the competition (18:43), but placed fourth in a time of 1:54:14. USA Triathlon quoted Knibb: "If you told me a few months ago that I would be here at this race, let alone on the podium, this is a really big surprise. I am just really grateful to be here." Of the race, USAT reported: "Among the leaders out of the water, Knibb led the front bike pack throughout the 40k ride, joined by U.S. Elite National Team members Taylor Spivey (Redondo Beach, Calif.) and Kirsten Kasper (North Andover, Mass.). The group charged through the rain, navigating the slick city roads and tight corners with excellent precision. Knibb ran a 34:17 10k as she finished in third place. Spivey nearly caught Knibb and finished in fourth, while Kasper

placed eighth." Other NYAC finishers included **Summer Rappaport** (10th) and, among the men, **Morgan Pearson** (44th). Click here for full results. • **Saturday, May 13th; Punta Cana, Dominican Republic** - The NYAC's **Katie Zaferes** secured the victory at the 2023 Americas Triathlon Cup and Central America and Caribbean Championships Punta Cana with a finishing time of 53:45. Katie completed the 750m swim in 9:08, the 20K bike in 27:44, and the 5.09K run in 15:13. Anahi Alvarez Corral of Mexico took second in 54:01, and Dominika Jamnicky of Canada was third in 54:01. Click here for full results.

Meet Taylor Knibb

Sport: Triathlon

Hometown: Washington, DC

College: Cornell University '20, Psychology

Achievements: 2022 IRONMAN 70.3 world champion, Tokyo 2020 mixed relay Olympic silver medalist

Find Taylor on Instagram @taylorknibb

Tokyo 2020 16th place individual finish



Track and Field - Stewart Second at Keino Classic



Saturday, May 13th; Nairobi, Kenya – Contesting the hammer throw at the <u>Kip Keino Classic</u> in Nairobi, the NYAC's **Janeah Stewart**, Ole Miss graduate and indoor weight throw world record holder, claimed second position with a mark of 71.43m/234' 4". Fellow American, Janee Kassanavoid, the 2022 bronze medalist at the World Championships, won with a mark of 74.25m/243' 7". The legendary Anita Wlodarczyk from Poland, world record holder and three-time Olympic champion (2012, 2016, 2020), placed third with a heave of 70.27m/230' 6". Click here for full results from Nairobi.

Water Polo - NYAC Takes Second at Fisher Cup

Sunday, May 14th; San Diego, CA – The NYAC men took the silver medals in the 2023 <u>Fisher Cup</u> in San Diego, after falling to USAWP Junior in the final, 16-13. Stanford rounded out the podium in third. Alex Ellison of USA Water Polo wrote of the closing quarter of the thrilling final game: "*Gielen opened the fourth quarter*

where he left off in the third, scoring the first two goals to tie the score at 9-9 before Real pushed NYAC in front for the first time on a counterattack. Gray Carson scored on a man-up advantage for USA Junior to knot the score at 10-10 with 3:34 to play. From there, it was back and forth until the buzzer sounded. Sawyer Rhodes and Ben Liechty had power play scores for each side. Then,

Ryder Dodd deposited his third of the game, immediately followed by Real on another 6-on-5 for NYAC and another from Ryder Dodd to retake the lead. With a 13-12 lead, USA Junior set their defense for one more stop, but could not manage to contain the NYAC, who leveled the score with 0:04 left to play on a rocket off the arm of Gielen to send the championship game into a penalty shootout. USA Junior showed incredible poise in a pressure filled situation, stepping up to knock down all three penalty tries (Ryder Dodd, McFarland, and Watson) while Griffen Price denied all three NYAC attempts to claim the Fisher Cup, 16-13." Click here to read more from this spectacular clash of titans.

Soccer - NYAC Reserves Defeat Borgetto

Sunday, May 14th; Travers Island – The NYAC Firsts and Reserves each defeated Borgetto FC, 3-0. Click here for more information.

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Wrestling - The 2023 US World Team Trials kick off this Saturday, May 20th in Colorado Springs, CO. Six-time world champion,

Adeline Gray leads a squad of NYAC wrestlers who will take to the mats to challenge for places on the US team that will contest the 2023 World Championships in Belgrade, Serbia in September. To watch the Trials, click here. Matches can be viewed with a paid subscription. Competition concludes on Sunday, May 21st. Check back next week for results.

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WRESTLING: Saturday, May 20th - Sunday,

May 21st US World Championships Team Trials
- Colorado Springs, CO - Nathan Jackson (92kg
FS), Lauren Louive (59kg), Adeline Gray (76kg),
David Stepanian (67kg GR), Ravaughn Perkins
(77kg GR), Jesse Porter (77kg GR), Ben Provisor
(82kg GR), Tanner Farmer (130kg GR) and more

JUDO: Saturday, May 20th - Sunday, May 21st
Senior National Championships - Spokane,

Washington More info

LOCAL ACTION SOCCER

Sunday, May 21st

<u>D'Arpino Cup - NYAC II v. Ukrainians II -</u> Randall's Island, Field 70 - 10am

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