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JUDO: YONEZUKA TAKES SILVER AT WORLD JUNIORS



Wednesday, October 4th - Saturday, October 7th; Odivelas, Portugal – On Thursday, October 5th, the NYAC's **Jack Yonezuka** claimed the -73kg silver medal at the [2023 Junior Judo World Championships](#), making him the first US man in history to secure a Junior World silver medal. After receiving a bye in the first round of competition, Yonezuka defeated Brazil's Vinicius Ardina in the second round and Tajikistan's Muhiddin Asadulloev in the third round. On the quarterfinal, Nicole Jomantas of USA Judo wrote, "[Yonezuka] threw Mouhammad Galalov (BEL) for ippon early in the second minute. Yonezuka drew 2022 Cadet World Champion Keito Kihara (JPN) in the semifinals just a day after Japan swept the lightweight gold medals in both the men's and women's events. Yonezuka scored first, throwing Kihara for a waza-ari in the second minute, but was caught by Kihara for a waza-ari in the third minute to tie the score. At the end of regulation, each athlete had a waza-ari and a penalty. Just 14 seconds into Golden Score (sudden death overtime), both athletes were given a stalling penalty putting the pressure on. Less than a minute later, Yonezuka seized an opportunity and threw Kihara for another waza-ari. The win put Yonezuka into the finals for the first time for a U.S. athlete at Junior Worlds since Kayla Harrison (Middletown, Ohio) won gold in 2008 and silver in 2009. In the finals, Yonezuka and 2022 European Junior Champion Vusal Galandarzade (AZE) battled for four minute without a score. In the first exchange of overtime, however, Galandarzade threw Yonezuka for ippon (instant win) to claim gold. The silver medal finish makes Yonezuka one of just five U.S. athletes ever to advance to the Junior World finals and the only man."

[Click here](#) for full results from Odivelas.

Meet Jack Yonezuka

Sport: Judo **Hometown:** West Long Branch, NJ
Achievements: First American in 30 years to medal in a Junior World Championships (2022, -73kg, bronze medal); 2023 Junior World Championships -73kg silver medalist; full-time college student *Find Jack on Instagram @thejudoman*



Track and Field: McFadden Claims Bronze in Chicago

Sunday, October 8th; Chicago, Illinois – The NYAC's **Tatyana McFadden**, 20-time Paralympic medalist and 24-time World Major Marathon champion, secured the women's wheelchair bronze medal at the [2023 Chicago Marathon](#) with a finish of 1:41:17. Switzerland's Catherine Debrunner won in 1:38:44, and fellow American Susannah Scaroni took second with 1:38:46. On the race, World Para Athletics wrote, "The women's wheelchair competition was a battle from start to finish between USA's Susannah Scaroni (USA) and Switzerland's world record holder Catherine Debrunner. The two traded the lead throughout the race with Debrunner taking over for the last time in the final mile. After the turn onto Columbus Drive, Debrunner was able to pull slightly ahead, winning in a new course record of 1:38:44, two seconds ahead of Scaroni. "It was an amazing race," said Debrunner, who was competing in the United States for the first time. "I had a really great race together with Susannah Scaroni. She attacked really hard at the last hill, but I could fight and I made it. I am really proud of both of us." Nine-time Chicago champion Tatyana McFadden, who previously held the course record, finished third in 1:41:17. The women's race saw 19 competitors from six countries on the streets of Chicago." [Click here](#) for full results and [here](#) for competition footage from Chicago. Also of note, on **Wednesday, November 8th**, Tatyana will be a guest panelist at the exclusive "Women in the NYAC" event at the City House. NYAC Members, [click here](#) for more information and to buy tickets.



This Week in NYAC Athletics History

Track and Field – On **October 15th, 1964**, the legendary **AI Oerter** won his third consecutive Olympic discus title at the 1964 Tokyo Games. Exactly four years later, on **October 15th, 1968**, he won his fourth (and final) consecutive discus title at the 1968 Mexico City Games. [Click here](#) to watch a video about Oerter's discus victories at the '56, '60, '64, and '68 Olympic Games.

News

PanAm Games – The roster has been announced for the 2023 Pan Am Games, and 30 NYAC athletes are set to compete in various sports. The Games will be contested in Santiago, Chile from Friday, October 20th to Sunday, November 5th. [Click here](#) for all the details.

LA28 – Cricket, squash, lacrosse, baseball/softball, and flag football will be included in the LA 2028 Games. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Upcoming Events

SWIMMING: Friday, October 13th - Sunday, October 15th [World Aquatics Cup II](#) - Athens, Greece [More info](#)

LOCAL ACTION! RUGBY: Saturday, October 14th [NYAC v. White Plains](#) - Travers Island - ARP at 11am, DIII at 1pm

TRIATHLON: Saturday, October 14th [Ironman World Championship](#) - Kona, Hawaii - Taylor Knibb, Sarah True [Click here to watch the race live at 6:25am on Saturday, October 14th](#)

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