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# NYAC Rowers Seeking World Championships Medals and Places in Paris

**Sunday, September 3rd - Sunday, September 10th; Belgrade, Serbia** - The [2023 World Rowing Championships](#) are presently underway in Belgrade, Serbia, with 10 NYAC rowers competing in six boats. With qualification rounds completed, tomorrow (Saturday, September 9th) will see four Club athletes contest A finals: **Meghan Musnicki** in the women's pair (W2-); **Claire Collins**, **Madeleine Wanamaker** and **Kelsey Reelick** in the women's four (W4-); and **Nick Mead** in the men's four (M4-). The following day, Sunday, September 10th, **Charlotte Buck**, **Alina Hagstrom** and **Brooke Mooney** will compete in the A final of the women's eight (W8+). By qualifying for World Championships finals, the women's pair and women's four have earned spots on the starting line for next summer's Olympic Games. Commented Reelick: "It's fantastic. It may not be us in the boat [in Paris, the squad's won't be selected until closer to the Games]; but, it's good to know there are going to be four US [women] racing." Musnicki, a two time Olympic gold medalist and NYAC Hall of Famer, echoed those sentiments: "I am so proud of us, and I'm super-excited to have qualified this boat for the US for the Olympics." For the record, Musnicki has already got five World Championships gold medals, all of them in the eight. At these World Championships, the women's eight will have to place in the top five in order to qualify the boat for Paris 2024. In other NYAC news from the World Championships, today (Friday, September 8th), **Sam Melvin** appears in the B Final of the lightweight men's single sculls (LM1x), while on Sunday (8th) **Eliot (Finn) Putnam** will contest the D Final of the men's single sculls. You can follow USRowing's daily reports from Belgrade by [clicking here](#), and [click here](#) for the official schedule, heat sheets and results from worldrowing.com. All of the NYAC results will appear in next week's *Athletics News*, and a complete report from the World Championships will appear in the October edition of *The Winged Foot* magazine.



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## Track and Field - Allman Leads the World

Following her silver medal winning performance at the World Track and Field Championships in Budapest last month, **Varie Allman** set out to confirm that she is among the greatest female discus throwers of all time. In the course of winning three meets in four days, the NYAC woman also launched the longest throw of the year, a stunning 70.47m/231-2, which came at the renowned ISTAF meet in Berlin. Allman's all-conquering itinerary went as follows: **Friday, September 1st**, a 68.62m/225-1 win at the [Thumer Werfertag](#) meet in Thum, Germany; **Sunday, September 3rd**, a world leading 70.47m at the [ISTAF](#) meet in Berlin (177 miles from Thum). Notably, this mark was over a meter further than her silver-medal winning distance of 69.23m/227-1 at the World Championships); **Monday, September 4th**, a 69.09m/226-8 victory at the [Gala dei Castelli](#) in Bellinzona, Switzerland (almost 600 miles from Berlin). Remarkably, the average of Allman's three winning throws is 69.39 was farther than her medal-winning throw in Budapest. [Click here](#) for results from Thum, [here](#) for results from Berlin, and [here](#) for results from Bellinzona. In other track and field news, **Joe Kovacs**, winner of the bronze medal at the Budapest World Championships, placed second in the shot put at the [Meeting Citta' Di Padova](#) in Padova, Italy on **Sunday, September 3rd**, heaving the implement to a mark of 22.40m/73-6. Italy's Zane Weir, 11th at the World Championships, won with a personal best of 22.44m/73-7.5, while World Champs silver medalist, Leonardo Fabbri, also from Italy, was third at 21.49m/70-6.25. [Click here](#) for results from Padova.

## AAU Sullivan Award at the NYAC - Kate Douglass Among the Finalists

On Tuesday, September 19th, the NYAC will welcome the nation's finest athletes to the City House for the 93rd **AAU James E. Sullivan Award**, which has been awarded annually since 1930 to "America's top collegiate or Olympic-level athlete whose athletic accomplishments are complemented by qualities of leadership, character and sportsmanship." Among this year's finalists is the NYAC's **Kate Douglass**, a Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games bronze medalist in the 200m medley relay and a six-time medalist at the 2023 World Aquatics Championships. Also on the roster are basketball players Caitlin Clark and Zach Edey, baseball player Dylan Crews, gymnast Jordan Chiles and swimmer Jordan Crooks. Tickets are \$250 per person for adults, and \$100 per person for ages 13 and under. For more information and to reserve your tickets, e-mail [sullivan@aausports.org](mailto:sullivan@aausports.org).



## News

**Los Angeles 2028** - The International Olympic Committee has postponed its decision on the sports program for the LA 2028 Games. [Click here](#) to learn more.

**Olympics 2036** - IOC chief, **Thomas Bach**, states that India is a strong contender to host the Games of 2036. [Click here](#) for more.

**USOPC** - The Commission on the State of the US Olympics and Paralympics met recently in Washington, DC. To learn what transpired, [click here](#) and see the first item. Scroll further down for plenty more sports news.

**Judo** - The NYAC's undefeated **Johan Silot Suse** contests the Junior and Cadet Pan-American-Oceania Championships this weekend. [Click here](#) for a full preview.

## Upcoming Events

**ROWING: Sunday, September 3rd - Sunday, September 10th** [World Rowing Championships](#) - Belgrade, Serbia - Eliot Putnam (M1x), Sam Melvin (LM1x), Meghan Musnicki (W2-), Claire Collins (W4-), Madeleine Wanamaker (W4-), Kelsey Reelick (W4-), Nick Mead (M4-), Charlotte Buck (W8+), Alina Hagstrom (W8+), Brooke Mooney (W8+) [More info](#)

**TRACK AND FIELD: Friday, September 8th** [Diamond League Memorial van Damme](#) - Brussels, Belgium - Tori Franklin (triple jump), Chris Nilsen (pole vault) [More info](#)

**LOCAL ACTION RUGBY: Saturday, September 9th** NYAC v. Old Blue - Baker Athletic Complex, NY, NY - A team at 2pm, B team at 4pm

**TRACK AND FIELD: Friday, September 8th - Sunday, September 10th** [Boris Hanzekovic Memorial](#) - Zagreb, Croatia [More info](#)

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