

PAUSATF OFFICIALS' NEWSLETTER 8/11/21

CHAIR'S NOTE

To paraphrase a TV news anchor who once started out with "From the desert to the sea to all of ... ", I have to say from the Bay to the Mountains, from the Oregon border to the Vineyards of the Valley, welcome to the Pacific Association USATF, Home of Olympians . Given the recent conclusion of the Olympics in Tokyo, we remember that there are a lot of track and field athletes who started or competed here in Northern California. As you can see from the following, the PAUSATF is well represented. On behalf of the athletes and coaches, parents and friends of these and many other athletes in our association, A BIG THANK YOU is in order. Without your fair and efficient running of the meets in which these athletes participated, they would not have achieved PR's or gotten to the Games. AND Congratulations to Valarie Allman, Nick Christie and Robyn Stevens, all 2021 Olympians and PAUSATF participants.

We are preparing for the Officials Annual Meeting on Sunday, August 29th. YES, THIS WILL BE IN PERSON barring a surge in virus incidence. John Shirey and crew have been working hard to insure this meeting will be safe and fun. That and the ANNUAL RAFFLE IS BACK. All the more reason to evaluate for yourself and GET YOUR SHOTS if you desire. See below for more information.

I look forward to seeing most, if not all of you, at the ANNUAL MEETING. Please try to attend.

Phil Leake, Chair

FROM BOB WRIGHT Golden West Invitational Meet Director

GWI Alumni at the Tokyo Olympics

The GWI Alumni Tokyo Olympians are listed below by athlete in alphabetical order, including their prior Olympic performances.

Devon Allen (Phoenix, AZ)

- Tokyo Olympics M 110mHH 3rd best qualifying time 13.21; 4th in Final in 13.14
- *2020 Track & Field Olympic Trials* M 110mH Silver in 13.1
- 2016 Rio Olympics M 110m Hurdles Finals 5th, 13.31
- GWI 2014 M 100m, 2nd, 10.59; M 110 MH, 1st 13.48)
- 2012 GWI: M 110MH 1st 13.32; M 200M 1st, 20.92;

Valarie Allman (Longmont, CO/Stanford University)

- Tokyo Olympics W Discus: Qualified 1st with 66.42m; **Gold** in Final with 68.98m
- *2020 Track & Field Olympic Trials* W Discus: Gold in 69.92m, 229' 4"

- GWI 2013 1st, W 50.02m, 164-01

Tara Davis (Thousand Oaks, CA)

- Tokyo Olympics W Long Jump 4th best qualifier with 6.85m; 6th in Final with 6.86m
- *2020 Track & Field Olympic Trials* W Long Jump Silver 7.04m
- 2014 GWI W 100m Hurdles 5th in 14.70 as a Freshman

Allyson Felix (North Hills, CA)

- Tokyo Olympics W 4x400m Relay **Gold** in Final (3:16.85) to clinch the record US Olympic medal count of 11.
- Tokyo Olympics W 400m **Bronze** in 49:86 (MAR)
- *2020 Track & Field Olympic Trials* W 400m Silver in 50.02 (MWR)
- 2016 Rio Olympics W 4x100m, **Gold**, 41.01; anchored W 4x400m, **Gold**, 3:19.06; W 400m **Silver**, 49.51
- London 2012 Olympics W 200m **Gold**; W 4x100m **Gold** 40:82; W 4x400m **Gold** 3:16:88 OR, WR; W 100m 5th in 10:89
- Beijing 2008 Olympics W 200m **Silver** 21.93; 4x100m **Gold** 3:18:54
- Athens 2004 Olympics W 200m **Silver** 22.18
- 2001 GWI 200m 1st, W 23.90; W 100m 2nd, 12.03

Mason Finley (Buena Vista, CO)

- Tokyo Olympics M Discus 23rd with 60.34m
- *2020 Track & Field Olympic Trials* M Discus Gold 63.07 m (206 ft 11 in)
- 2016 Rio Olympics M Discus Finals 11th, 62.05m/206.86 ft.
- 2009 GWI: M Shot Put, 1st, 69-06.25; Discus 1st, 207-02)

Cory McGee (Pass Christian, MS)

- Tokyo Olympics W 1500m 11th Semi Final in 4:10.39; 12th in Final 4:05.5
- *2020 Track & Field Olympic Trials* W 1500m Silver in 4:00.67
- 2008 GWI W Mile 1st in 4:55.42

Galen Rupp (Portland, OR)

- Tokyo Olympics M Marathon 8th in 2:11:41
- *2020 M Marathon Olympic Trials* Gold in 2:09:20
- 2016 Olympics M Marathon **Bronze** 2:10:05 & 10,000m 5th in 27:08.92.
- 2002 GWI: M 3200m 4th, 8:58.11 as a Sophomore

Kara Winger - nee Patterson (Vancouver, WA)

- Tokyo Olympics selected to be Flag Bearer for Closing Ceremonies
- Tokyo Olympics W Javelin 17th in Qualifying Rounds 59.71m
- *2020 Track & Field Olympic Trials* W Javelin Silver in 61.47 m (201 ft 8 in)
- 2016 Rio Olympics W Javelin 31st with 184-5
- 2004 GWI W Javelin 1st with 45.88m, 150-06
- 2003 GWI W Javelin 3rd with 141-00

OTHER INTERESTING INFORMATION

From Tom Lewis USTFCCCA via Bob Podkaminer

All,

In this Google Sheets document that you can view (and download), you will find the performances by each of the athletes we identified to be affiliated with some U.S.-affiliated collegiate institution at some point in their careers.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1x09qw9CUatuAgWrB5OoshuLMzEfwG1k06Uhed9ToDzU/edit?usp=sharing>

Here's some superlatives derived from the information ...

- **1808** total athletes competed in Athletics in Tokyo (including relays, walks, and road racing events)
- **342** (18.9%) of the athletes competed at an U.S.-affiliated collegiate institution at some point in their careers and represented 75 countries in the Olympics -- athlete count by country (with 5 or more): USA 116, CAN 32, JAM 20, GBR 15, AUS 13, TTO 11, BAH 11, BAR 5, NGR 5
- **58** of the athletes competed at an U.S.-affiliated collegiate institution in 2021 and represented 27 countries in the Olympics -- athlete count by country: USA 17, TTO 5, JAM 4, BAH 4, CAN 3, ITA 2, GHA 2, BAR 2, one each: ANT, AUS, BIZ, BLR, EST, GBR, GRN, GUA, IRL, ISR, LBR, MDA, NZL, POL, RSA, SEY, SKN, VIN
- **Of the 123 athletes that competed for Team USA**, 116 competed for a U.S.-affiliated collegiate institution at some point in their careers. 17 of the 116 competed for a collegiate institution in 2021.

References to collegiate programs below are the last college that athlete attended.

Medalists (individual events)

* a collegian in 2021

GOLD (10)

Valarie ALLMAN (USA), Stanford -- Women's Discus Throw

Jasmine CAMACHO-QUINN (PUR), Kentucky -- Women's 100 Metres Hurdles

Ryan CROUSER (USA), Texas -- Men's Shot Put

André DE GRASSE (CAN), Southern California -- Men's 200 Metres

Armand DUPLANTIS (SWE), LSU -- Men's Pole Vault

Emmanuel Kipkurui KORIR (KEN), UTEP -- Men's 800 Metres

Sydney MCLAUGHLIN (USA), Kentucky -- Women's 400 Metres Hurdles

Shaunae MILLER-UIBO (BAH), Georgia -- Women's 400 Metres

Athing MU (USA), Texas A&M* -- Women's 800 Metres

Katie NAGEOTTE (USA), Ashland -- Women's Pole Vault

SILVER (13)

Mohammed AHMED (CAN), Wisconsin -- Men's 5000 Metres
Kenneth BEDNAREK (USA), Indian Hills (Iowa) CC -- Men's 200 Metres
Rai BENJAMIN (USA), Southern California -- Men's 400 Metres Hurdles
Courtney FRERICHS (USA), New Mexico -- Women's 3000 Metres Steeplechase
Kendra HARRISON (USA), Kentucky -- Women's 100 Metres Hurdles
Grant HOLLOWAY (USA), Florida -- Men's 110 Metres Hurdles
Fred KERLEY (USA), Texas A&M -- Men's 100 Metres
Joe KOVACS (USA), Penn State -- Men's Shot Put
Patrícia MAMONA (POR), Clemson -- Women's Triple Jump
Dalilah MUHAMMAD (USA), Southern California -- Women's 400 Metres Hurdles
Christopher NILSEN (USA), South Dakota -- Men's Pole Vault
Brittney REESE (USA), Ole Miss -- Women's Long Jump
Raven SAUNDERS (USA), Ole Miss -- Women's Shot Put

BRONZE (7)

Paul CHELIMO (USA), UNCG -- Men's 5000 Metres
André DE GRASSE (CAN), Southern California -- Men's 100 Metres
Kirani JAMES (GRN), Alabama -- Men's 400 Metres
Josh KERR (GBR), New Mexico -- Men's 1500 Metres
Raevyn ROGERS (USA), Oregon -- Women's 800 Metres
Molly SEIDEL (USA), Notre Dame -- Women's Marathon
Gabrielle THOMAS (USA), Harvard -- Women's 200 Metres

Medalists (relay events)

competed in the heats

GOLD

Women's 4x400 Relay

Sydney MCLAUGHLIN (USA), Kentucky
Athing MU (USA), Texas A&M*
Dalilah MUHAMMAD (USA), Southern California
#Kendall ELLIS (USA), Southern California
#Lynna IRBY (USA), Georgia
#Wadeline JONATHAS (USA), South Carolina

Men's 4x400 Relay

Rai BENJAMIN (USA), Southern California
Michael CHERRY (USA), LSU
Bryce DEADMON (USA), Texas A&M*
Michael NORMAN (USA), Southern California
#Vernon NORWOOD (USA), LSU
#Randolph ROSS (USA), North Carolina A&T*
#Trevor STEWART (USA), North Carolina A&T*

SILVER

Women's 4x100 Relay

Teahna DANIELS (USA), Texas
Javianne OLIVER (USA), Kentucky
Jenna PRANDINI (USA), Oregon
Gabrielle THOMAS (USA), Harvard

#English GARDNER (USA), Oregon

#Aleia HOBBS (USA), LSU

Men's 4x100 Relay

Nethaneel MITCHELL-BLAKE (GBR), LSU

BRONZE

Men's 4x100 Relay

Aaron BROWN (CAN), Southern California

André DE GRASSE (CAN), Southern California

Brendon RODNEY (CAN), LIU

Mixed 4x400 Relay

Kendall ELLIS (USA), Southern California

Vernon NORWOOD (USA), LSU

Trevor STEWART (USA), North Carolina A&T*

#Bryce DEADMON (USA), Texas A&M*

#Elija GODWIN (USA), Georgia*

#Lynna IRBY (USA), Georgia

#Taylor MANSON (USA), Florida*

Most current/former collegians participants by program

(combined genders -- 5 or more)

Georgia: 14

Florida: 14

Southern California: 13

Florida State: 13

Oregon: 12

LSU: 10

Texas A&M: 9

Texas: 9

Kentucky: 8

Wisconsin: 7

UTEP: 7

Alabama: 7

Stanford: 6

Mississippi State: 6

Texas Tech: 5

Purdue: 5

Ohio State: 5

Michigan: 5

Houston: 5

British Columbia: 5

Arkansas: 5

Most "points scored" (10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1) by current/former collegians participants by program

[] - No. of participants

Combined Genders (10 or more points)

Southern California: 54 [13]
Kentucky: 32.75 [8]
Texas A&M: 32.25 [9]
LSU: 27 [10]
Georgia: 22 [14]
Stanford: 20 [6]
Texas: 17 [9]
Florida: 17 [14]
Oregon: 16 [12]
Ole Miss: 16 [2]
UTEP: 15.5 [7]
New Mexico: 15 [4]
Wisconsin: 14 [7]
Ashland: 10 [1]

Men's Events

Southern California: 39 [6]
LSU: 25.5 [8]
Florida: 17 [7]
Texas A&M: 16.75 [5]
Wisconsin: 14 [4]
UTEP: 10 [4]
Texas: 10 [4]
South Dakota: 8 [1]
Penn State: 8 [2]
Oregon: 8 [6]
Indian Hills (Iowa) CC: 8 [1]
Alabama: 7.25 [3]
New Mexico: 7 [2]
UNCG: 6 [1]
Georgia: 5 [6]
Central Arizona: 5 [1]
Baylor: 5 [2]
TCU: 4 [1]
Stanford: 4 [1]
Oklahoma State: 3 [1]
Louisville: 3 [2]
Syracuse: 2 [1]
Eastern Michigan: 2 [1]
Cornell: 2 [1]
LIU: 1.5 [1]
Florida State: 1.25 [8]
Penn: 1 [1]
Colorado State: 1 [1]
Auburn: 0.75 [2]
Kentucky: 0.25 [2]

Women's Events

Kentucky: 32.5 [6]
Georgia: 17 [7]

Stanford: 16 [5]
Ole Miss: 16 [2]
Texas A&M: 15.5 [4]
Southern California: 12.75 [7]
Ashland: 10 [1]
Clemson: 9 [2]
Oregon: 8 [6]
New Mexico: 8 [2]
Harvard: 8 [1]
Texas: 7 [5]
Notre Dame: 6 [1]
UTEP: 5 [2]
San Diego State: 5 [2]
Florida State: 4 [5]
California: 4 [1]
Arkansas: 4 [4]
Purdue: 3 [3]
Washington: 2 [3]
NC State: 2 [1]
Livingstone: 2 [1]
Colorado State: 2 [1]
Duke: 1.25 [2]
Arizona: 1.25 [1]
Southern Illinois: 1 [2]
Oklahoma: 1 [1]

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[U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association](#)

ELECTIONS

FROM JOHN SHIREY Vice Chair

USATF Pacific Association Officials Committee Election

By now, you should have received a ballot in your email to vote in the Pacific Association Officials Committee election. It was sent from the "USATF Pacific Secretary" on August 8 and the subject line is "Pacific Association Officials Committee Election Instructions and Ballot." If you did not receive a ballot, first check your junk mail or spam boxes. If it is not there either, please notify John Shirey at jshirey1@comcast.net. (If you have "unsubscribed" from Officials Committee emails or blocked such emails, it was not possible to send you a ballot.)

If you have already voted in the election, thank you! If you have not yet voted, please do so while you are thinking about it. The deadline to receive ballots is August 22.

Two positions are being contested: Vice Chair of the Officials Committee and Representative to the Board of Athletics (three to be elected). Results will be announced at the Annual Meeting on August 29 at UC Davis.

OFFICIALS ANNUAL MEETING

FROM JOHN SHIREY, VICE-CHAIR PAOC

Pacific Association Officials Committee Annual Meeting

Plan to attend our Pacific Association Officials Annual Meeting to be held once again at UC Davis on Sunday, August 29 from 10:00 am to 3:00 am at Aggie (football) Stadium. The highlight of this event will be the presentation of awards to our local officials for their exceptional service to track and field. **Head Coach Ngonidzashe Makusha** and the UC Davis track and field program will be hosting the meeting and a lunch as a "thank you" for your service as an official.

This year's annual meeting will also double as a fundraising event to support the USATF Pacific Foundation. Funds raised will be used to provide training funds for outstanding track and field athletes in our region such as Robyn Stevens and Nick Christie, race walkers who are currently competing in Tokyo. This year the Foundation gave 8 training grants to elite athletes in the Pacific Association.

The cost to attend the annual meeting is \$20 and half of that amount is a tax-deductible contribution to the Foundation. (The other \$10 goes to defray the cost of holding the event, mostly for the awards that will be presented.) Everyone who registers for the meeting and to support the Foundation will be entered in, not one, but two raffles for prizes brought by your fellow officials and other special prizes. Additional tickets for the Foundation raffle are \$2 each. Prizes for the Foundation raffle include gift cards for airfare compliments of Southwest Airlines, clothing from this year's USATF Olympic Trials, and a personally autographed discus by our own gold medalist, Stephanie Brown-Trafton.

For the regular raffle, please bring something that a well-equipped official can use!

We know that not everyone will be able to attend the Annual Meeting in person (but we hope you can!) because of time and distance limitations or because of concerns about COVID. Therefore, we will provide a Zoom link to the meeting if you register and indicate you will be attending remotely. For your own safety and that of others, please attend the meeting via Zoom if you are not fully vaccinated or not feeling well.

To make your reservation for the Annual Meeting, please send a check for \$20 per person payable to "PAUSATF" to our Vice Chair, John Shirey, at 7711 River Landing Dr., Sacramento, CA 95831, by August 22. You are also encouraged to send an additional contribution of any amount for tickets (\$2 per ticket) to the Foundation raffle to John whether you attend the Annual Meeting in person or via Zoom. Make that second check payable to the "USATF Pacific Foundation" or pay [HERE](#) using PayPal. Raffle tickets will also be sold at the meeting. Please direct any questions about the Annual Meeting or the two raffles to John at jshirey1@comcast.net.

Don't delay! Make your reservation today to honor your fellow officials and to support the USATF Pacific Foundation on August 29!

MEETS NEEDING OFFICIALS

FROM RICK BERMAN, LDR OFFICIALS CHAIR

The 2021 USATF Pacific Cross Country(XC) and Road Grand Prix Seasons are under way.

We are seeking new, as well as experienced, Officials to support the upcoming meets.

If you would like to Officiate at any of the meets noted, please sign-up by going here:

<https://forms.gle/pETdrMJzzZBT3cju8>

Note: You will be notified of your assignment one week prior to each meet. Water will be provided.

Attention New Officials: Onsite training is always provided.

Cross Country Grand Prix dates:

- 08/21/2021 (Sat) - 20th Annual SCTC XC Challenge - Santa Cruz
- 08/28/2021 (Sat) - 28th Annual Phil Widener Empire Open - Santa Rosa
- 09/05/2021 (Sun) - 2nd Annual GVH Lagoon Valley XC Challenge - Vacaville
- 09/12/2021 (Sun) - 35th Annual Golden Gate Park Open - San Francisco
- 09/18/2021 (Sat) - 10th Annual Rebels XC Challenge - Carmichael
- 09/25/2021 (Sat) - 16th Annual Garin Park XC Challenge - Hayward
- 10/10/2021 (Sun) - 25th Annual John Lawson Tamalpa Challenge - San Rafael
- 10/16/2021 (Sat) - 12th Annual Willow Hills XC Open - Folsom
- 10/23/2021 (Sat) - 23rd Annual Matt Yeo Memorial Aggies XC Open - Martinez
- 11/21/2021 (Sun) - 35th Annual PA Cross Country Championship - San Francisco

Road Grand Prix dates:

11/14/2021 (Sun) - Clarksburg Half Marathon - Clarksburg

12/05/2021 (Sun) - California International Marathon - Folsom to Sacramento

12/19/2021 (Sun) - Christmas Relays - San Francisco

Meet details, directions, COVID-19 protocol, etc....can be found here:

XC: <https://www.pausatf.org/wp-content/legacy/2021/2021-detailed-xc-schedule.htm>

Road: <https://www.pausatf.org/road-racing/annual-road-racing-grand-prix-schedule>

Reminder: The USATF National Fall (Club) Cross-Country Championships are coming to Golden Gate Park on December 10, 2022. If you would like to be part of the officials' team that supports the 2022 Fall National Championships, consider gaining experience by participating in the 2021 season.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

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USATF NATIONAL MEETS

From Mike Armstrong , USATF NOC Chair

Upcoming Applications: Remember that in September, applications will become available for a variety of officiating opportunities. Be watching for information through this newsletter, emails, and social media posts. The applications will be online and available on the NOC Dashboard (<http://noc.mach2k.net>). The applications will include:

- USATF Senior Indoor and Outdoor Championships (National and Master level officials)
- USATF U20 Outdoor Championships (National and Master level officials)
- World Athletics World Championships (National and Master level officials)
- Young Officials Grants (for officials 40 and younger)
- Implement Inspector Grants
- Technical Manager Grants

Applications for other championships meets (that are open to all officials) will become available through the Fall and Spring.

Apply Now to Work An NCAA Championship

The application process for officials wanting to work one or more of the eight 2022 NCAA Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field Divisional Championships (Division I, II, III) is open from August 2 through September 30, 2021.

[Go here](#) to begin the application process.

Officials selected for the championship meets will be announced in mid to late December.

If you have questions or concerns related to NCAA Track and Field officiating, contact Milan Donley, NCAA National Assignor - Track and Field, 785-331-9911, mdonley@ku.edu.



High School Rule Changes Announced



The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) recently announced rule changes for high school track and field and cross country for the 2022 season.

Changes include two rule revisions involving the competitor's uniform, along with procedural changes in several field events designed to reduce the risk of injury. [Go here](#) read all the changes.

USATF Associations Committee newsletter: [Go here.](#)

Officials Newsletter from Athletics Canada. Current issue and archive: [Go here.](#)

European Athletic Officials newsletter: [Go here.](#)

NOC Equipment & Facilities newsletter: [Go here](#)

Archive of this newsletter: [Go here](#)

A few newsletters from individual state Associations:

["Tracking 27"](#): Oregon Track Club and USATF Oregon Association

["Track and Field Iowa"](#): Iowa Association

["Official News"](#): Indiana Association

New! Current issue and archive of the World Athletics newsletters:

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[Go here](#) to view the archive of **NOC newsletters.**

New! [Go here](#) to view the archive of **SafeSport newsletters.**