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As of FRI 10 MAY 2024

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DISTANCE MEASUREMENT BY**Henrik JANSSEN (GER)****Discus Throw Men - 3rd 65.74 SB**

The atmosphere is really good, the stadium is full with people who love athletics, I loved it. I am satisfied with the result as a season opening, the conditions are really good, it is very good for me.

10.05.2024 19:00

Muzala SAMUKONGA (ZAM)**400m Men - 2nd place 45.07 SB**

The race was OK. There was too much noise, which is great. Finishing second is something good for me. I am still hoping to qualify to the Olympics, but I still believe I can make it. I will try to do better in the coming Diamond League events.

10.05.2024 19:13

Kristjan CEH (SLO)**Discus Throw Men - Winner 70.48 SB**

My performance was fine. I am still not in a good shape. I was really surprised that I threw a very long shot over 70 metres, but still I'm not in a very good shape yet. I want to be in a really good shape to participate in the European Championships, there will be four events for me until then. The following competition is next week, the Marrakesh DL. It is always good to be here. The crowd is very loud, and the weather is really good. I think the world record will be broken again.

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Muzala SAMUKONGA (ZAM)**2nd 45,07 SB**

The race was OK. There was a lot of wind, otherwise I enjoyed it. Coming second is good for me. I was looking forward to qualify for the Olympics, but I still believe I can make it. I will try to go below 45 or 44 seconds in the upcoming DL events.

10.05.2024 19:20

Noélie YARIGO (BEN)**800m Women - 3rd 1.58.70 SB**

It was windy so I was scared to go in the front, but I am so happy with the result. there is a very strong feeling, the atmosphere is really good, I felt like I was home. I was not expecting this much support, I am excited to be back here. Now I have to work for the upcoming Olympic Games.

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Steven GARDINER (BAH)**400m Men - Winner 44,76**

It is really windy today, but it is always nice to be here at the Seashore Doha DL. Happy to be back after two years . It was a pretty good race today. I took control from the beginning. It was kind of windy at my back but i just took control. Doha has always had an amazing crowd. I expected to be a full house tonight and this is what happened. Now I hope to stay healthy. I will go back to work on Monday.

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Jemma REEKIE (GBR)

2nd 1.58.42

It was a good performance, I made a mistake, it is a lesson but I will learn from this mistake. I held my position in the last three hundred metres. It was really great coming to Doha for the Seashore DL, I had never done it before. Everybody was very welcoming, so it has been a really good experience. My next competition will be in Poland.

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Kyree KING (USA)

200m Men - 3rd 20.21

I expected to run a little bit faster. I could have executed a little better, but you know, we keep moving on. We are having fun out here so I think that is the most important as me and my teammates, we just battle it out. I am here with my teammates and we are having fun. Kenny (Bednarek) got a PB, he ran pretty fast considering the time of the season, it was a pretty good performance from him.

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Kenneth BEDNAREK (USA)

200m Men - Winner 19.67 WL MR PB

I knew what I was gonna run, I won the world lead, I was just hoping that the weather would work with us and that is what it did so when I crossed the finish line I saw the time I didnt know if it was the lead, they wanted to hand me the lead sign, I knew I did it. I knew I was in a good shape because my teammates would push me on practice. We are happy for each other, I am happy for them, they are happy for me, that is all that matters. It is just love. The best I can do this year is gold medal in the Olympics, I did it in Tokyo, I know I have the talent and good training. Running this fast this early is really good, it means I will be fast by the time we start the Olympics. Time doesnt matter, my main focus is not the time, but competing and making sure we get the job done. The next race may be in Los Angeles, I am not sure, I have been running lot of back to back races. 'Fear No One' is the message on today's headband I'm wearing. I have a special headband with me for every single track event, I give it to the other competitors, we try to have a great time.

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Nelly CHEPCHIRCHIR (KEN)**1500m Women - 3rd 4:01.19 SB**

I made my best time for 2024 and I am very satisfied with this race. Finishing among the top three makes me feel even better. I have just opened my season, I need time and races to get to my best shape, but it was very good for me tonight.

10.05.2024 19:55

Miltiadis TENTOGLOU (GRE)**Long Jump Men - 2nd 8.36 SB**

It was my first event this year and I was not expecting much, I was prepared for like a 8.20m jump. I jumped a little longer due to the strong wind tonight, but when one is starting off his season this kind of wind can be dangerous. I had some trouble with it. The Jamaican guy jumped 8.52, I could get him tonight, I tried in my last effort, but it is too early in the season for me at the moment. The most positive thing I take from this event is that I really felt happy when (Carey) McLeod made the winning 8.52 jump. I really felt nice and it made me try to get further than him. I enjoy it more at an event when another competitor makes longer jumps and pushes me for more. I am expecting similar jumps, around 8.20 or 8.30, in my next events, too, as we are just starting. The following one will be in Cyprus next week. This was my first time at the Seashore Doha DL, the atmosphere was OK here, but I really liked the stadium. It feels great when the pit is placed near the stands, it is better for me from my point of view and helps me enjoy it more.

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Carey McLEOD (JAM)**Long Jump Men - Winner 8.52**

The result today was good apart from the win. Everyone tried to push themselves, it is a great feeling, in order to win I have to jump something amazing. It was not windy, so it was wonderful. I will just go back home to see how good I can prepare for the next competition. 8.52 is amazing. I feel good here, the crowd is great.

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Beatrice CHEBET (KEN)**5000m Women - Winner 14:26.98 WL**

I did not know what to expect tonight. Every race is difficult and even more when you are at the beginning of the season. So winning here was great, I really enjoyed it and it felt even better thanks to the presence of so many Kenyan fans in the stadium. I also ran for them, it usually helps when they cheer for you and expect the best from you. The big prize for me this year will be an Olympic medal in Paris. I will try for the gold of course, but any medal at the Olympics will be an amazing thing for me.

10.05.2024 20:22

Mary MORAA (KEN)**800m Women - Winner 1.57.91 SB**

The weather was not good to us, the wind was too high, but we have tried our best, the competition was good. This race was dedicated to the fans, there are many Kenyans here, they were waiting for the last Kenyan to compete so I dedicate it to them. Sometimes it helps us to compete in front of a big crowd from home, we get the support from them, so you can remind yourself to push very harder. My next event is the Diamond League in Eugene, USA.

10.05.2024 20:26

Jessica HULL (AUS)**2nd 4:00.84 SB**

It was a good race, a close and interesting one. It kind of slowed down in the middle of it and everybody got back in it. It was good for me, I try to come here every year. We are three months away from the Olympic Games, we are working hard, it is all good and I am excited for what is about to come next.

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Molly CAUDERY (GBR)

Pole Vault Women - Winner 4.73

The competition was very tough today. You can hear the crowd was amazing. There was a quiet strong wind, but we could handle it very well, I really enjoyed the competition. Pole vault is about consistency, but I am really happy with the outcome. This is my first time in doha, It is a great atmosphere, I love the climate, I love it here.

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Tina ŠUTEJ (SLO)

Pole Vault Women - 3rd 4.63

Today's competition was really hard, the wind was crazy and it was switching around so we had some difficulties, but I am happy with my performance and with my place. This result is OK given the fact we are at the beginning of the season and also taking into account that I started a little bit later because of my injury. I didn't go to the World Indoor Championships and started training late, so actually I am not in the best shape yet. The crowd is crazy, I can't even hear myself thinking because it is so loud! I will go to Marrakech next, I am excited as there is a lot of competitions coming up. Right now I am thinking about the European Championships and after that I will start thinking about the Olympics.

10.05.2024 20:42

Nina KENNEDY (AUS)

2nd 4.73 SB

I am in a position where it was really crazy, it was too windy, so to jump 4.73 makes me really happy. In the first attempt on 4.73 Molly (Caudery) jumped the same, but the second attempt was disappointing. However, I'm totally pleased with today's performance.

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Timothy CHERUIYOT (KEN)**1500m Men - 2nd 3.32.97 SB**

It was a very good race, I am happy to be back, I feel that I am getting better. It was so exciting to see Kenyans competing, especially knowing that the Olympics are around the corner. The crowd is very good, there are so many Kenyans here. The wind did not not affect me today at all.

10.05.2024 20:51

Pia SKRZYSZOWSKA (POL)**100m Hurdles Women - 3rd 12.53 SB**

It was my season opener and I did well, so it is my season I think. The crowd was loud even at the start when it should be quiet but I had that cheering from the tribune, so it was really good and nice. I hope to come back here. This is a very busy season because we have the European Championships and I am the title holder since 2022, so I am going to try to repeat my success. I have one more race before the Europeans, then I will be preparing for the Olympics.

10.05.2024 21:11

Tonea MARSHALL (USA)**100m Hurdles Women - 2nd 12.51**

It was a really exciting race. I am not too happy because it was my third race in three weeks. The race was a little flat, but I am still pleased overall. It was a pretty good crowd, but it could be a little better like it was last year. But it was a great experience anyway. I am excited that I get to race now next week. So I am excited about the next meet.

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Ditaji KAMBUNDJI (SUI)

100m Hurdles Women - Winner 12.49 SB

I am totally satisfied with the result. I have never been to Doha so I really love the atmosphere and I like the warm weather and everything here. We are still in May so we have to do it through June, July and August and I'm very excited ahead of the rest of the season.

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Alison dos SANTOS (BRA)

400m Hurdles Men - Winner 46.86 WL MR

I am really excited, it is a very good way to start things! It is still very early in the season, we know that we have much work to do, so this result gives us a good, good vibe for the rest of the season! It is going to be very tough this year, so to start in such a fashion is so positive. It was just like come here, see how work and preparation is going and it proved to be a very good day! The crowd was amazing, too... I have three places in my heart, these are Zurich, Bellinzona and Doha. It always feels so special to be here and compete before these fans. Looking forward to seeing them again in the future.

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Brian KOMEN (KEN)

Winner 3.32.43

It was amazing to see that I had a lot of fans here cheering for me and I want to say thank you to them all. I am happy for my teammates that we are all three Kenyans in the podium.

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Celera BARNES (USA)**100m Women - 3rd 11.02 SB**

It was a very good race. I started really well and I felt I could finish much better. Here and in the US it will be a tight season and I hope to make it to the Olympic team in Paris. The atmosphere here is amazing, it was my first time in Doha and my first time in the Seashore DL, so I really enjoyed it.

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Jakub VADLEJCH (CZE)**Javelin Throw Men - Winner 88.38 SB**

It was a very close fight. Last year Neeraj (Chopra) beat me for some four centimetres, so this was an even closer one and I am pleased that I won. I strained my ankle a little bit during the warmup and this made me go more careful with my throws. This season is very important for me, because I am 33 years old! I have two goals, the first one is smaller, the European Championships in Rome, and of course then comes Paris Olympics, which is the biggest of all. Being in Qatar is one of my favourite experiences. This is one of my favourite stadiums in the world, with a really loud crowd, which helps us do our best.

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Tamari DAVIS (USA)**100m Women - 2nd 10.99**

It was a fine race, I think. I have to keep working and try to improve each time. I am happy I am healthy and I will get back to work. It is gonna be an amazing season.

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Daryll NEITA (GBR)

100m Women - Winner 10.98 SB

I am really happy with the race today. I have not won the 100 metres since the semifinal in the Budapest World Championships, so it feels good to win in the Diamond League and especially to do so in Doha. It is a great place. The crowd was amazing, I did not expect such a loud crowd, but it was wonderful and the atmosphere was such good. I will take it race by race when it comes and during the process I hope to stay humble and healthy and I am aiming for medals.

10.05.2024 21:26

Angelina TOPIC (SRB)

High Jump Women - Winner 1.94

I am really happy and satisfied. That was a good competition. I am really excited for more. I was aiming for a better result today to have 1.98 which is my personal best and national record and I was really hoping to do it today but I know it will be coming very soon. I always want to improve and want to be better than I was before, so I can prove in the next competitions that I am better than I am now or the years before. Also I am really young, I am 18 years of age and I am really happy that I can call myself an Olympian at this age so am really excited for everything. A long season is coming and I am really happy. The atmosphere is amazing, the audience is really cheerful. As for me, I loved the audience as they are loud and they were rooting for everyone.

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Neeraj CHOPRA (IND)

Javelin Throw Men - 2nd 88.36 SB

The most important competition for me this year is Paris Olympics, but Diamond League meetings are important too. This was the opener for me in this season, I finished second with a narrow two centimetre margin, but next time I will try to draw far and try to win. The support I am getting from the Indian people here in Qatar is always amazing, there aren't words enough for me to thank them for their support. Maybe in some years the Indian will throw really far! I feel really proud that I am an Indian.

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CJ ALLEN (USA)**400m Hurdles Men - 2nd 48.39 SB**

It was really tough, but I thought I executed it well and I am pleased with that. The crowd is amazing, it was wonderful last year too and this place is my favorite. I love the hospitality and the way everyone is super kind to the athletes. I am being patient and I have expectations for a brilliant year.

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Anderson PETERS (GRN)**Javelin Throw Men - 3rd 86.62 SB**

It was a pretty good competition and I think it was a really good start of the season for me. Getting three throws of 85 metres at this part of the season is quite good, I think. The Seashore Doha DL is lovely, year after year this event is a great place to be. The crowd is great, they really love track and field and it shows. I just take one event at a time, being an Olympic year you have to sit down and see things properly.

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Abraham KIBIWOT (KEN)**3000m Steeplechase Men - 2nd 8:07.38 SB**

The race was very good and I am satisfied. This is my first international race in 2024, so I am happy with the result. It is going to be a very tight season so I am getting back to the training ground and I am going to start again. The crowd was very good and to see my fellow Kenyans felt so special. It was fantastic.

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