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Men's 100 Metres

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best:	9.77	Tyson Gay USA	Rome	10 Jul 09
	9.75w	Tyson Gay USA	Eugene	25 Jun 09

When the World Championships were held here, Kim Collins won the gold from lane 1

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	COLLINS Kim SKN	33y	102d	1976	10.15	9.98 -02
	Former World Champion & Commonwealth Games Champion at 100m ... sprint finalist at three successive Olympics 9.92w -03. 200 pb: 20.08w -01, 20.20 -01 (20.55 -09). qf OLY 100 96; 7 OLY 100 2000 (sf 200); 1 Central American 100 2001/2003 ; =3 WCH 200 2001; 1 COM 100 2002; 2 WCP 100 2002; 2 WIC 60 2003 (2008-2=); 1 WCH 100 2003 (97/99-ht, 2001-5, 2005-3, 2007-sf); 6 OLY 100 2004 & 200 2008 (sf 100 2008). 1 NCAA indoor 60/200 2001. Lives-Kingston, Jamaica ... married Paula Surgeon in December 2006, she assists with his coaching In 2009: 7 Kingston 200 (Apr 18); 6 Kingston 100 (May 2); 5 Ponce 100; 8 Hengelo 100; 1 Bydgoszcz 100; 1 St. Kitts & Nevis 100/200; 3 Tomblaine 100; 2 Uden 100 (4 200); dq Moscow Open 100; 1 Zhukovskiy 100; 4 Athens 200 (5 100 'B')					
2,	MBANDJOCK Martial FRA	23y	276d	1985	10.11	10.06 -08
	New Mediterranean Games Champion at 100m ... 200 pb: 20.67 -09. sf WJC 200 2004; sf EIC 60 2007; 2 ECP 100 2007; 3 under-23 ECH 100 2007; qf WCH 100 2007; sf WIC 60 2008; sf OLY 200 2008; 2 ETCh 200 2009 (4 100); 1 Mediterranean Games 100 2009. 1 French 100 2008. Coach-John Smith In 2009: 3 Mt. SAC Relays 100; 1 Los Angeles 100; 5 Baie Mahault 100; 2 Montreuil-sous-Bois 100 (May 17); 3 Montreuil-sous-Bois 100 (Jun 11); 6 Berlin 100; 5 Ostrava 100; 2 ETCh 200 (4th 100 overall); 1 Tomblaine 100; 1 Mediterranean Games 100					
3,	MARTINA Churandy AHO	25y	13d	1984	9.97	9.93 -08
	Fourth in Beijing Olympic 100m then originally second at 200m, only to be disqualified for a lane infringement after clocking 19.82; Official second placer Shawn Crawford later gave him the silver medal 9.76w -06. 200 pb: 20.11 -08 (20.76 -09). 400m pb: 46.13 -07. sf World Youth 100 99; qf WJC 100 2002 (2000-ht); 1 South American Games 100 2002 (2 200); qf OLY 100 2004; qf WCH 100 2005 (2003-ht); 1 Central American & Caribbean Games 100 2006; 1 Pan-Am Games 100 2007; 5 WCH 100/200 2007; 4 OLY 100 2008 (200-dq); ... student of "Multi-Disciplinary Studies" at University of Texas El Paso ... he has a gold-capped tooth engraved with the letter C, standing for his name and also his birthplace of Curacao ... in 2008 he "won" a televised sprint race at 30m against a row of toppling dominoes, clocking 3.81 ... coach-Wendell Prince In 2009: 1 UTEP Invitational 200; 2 Baie Mahault 100; 1 Ponce 100; 1 Hengelo 100; 7 Eugene 100; 7 Oslo Bislett Games 100; 3 Lausanne 200 (1 100 'B'); 5ht Rome 100					
4,	BLAKE Yohan JAM	19y	203d	1989	9.96	9.96 -09
	His 9.96 in Rome was the quickest ever by a teenager (he'll be 20 on December 26, so he's only six days short of being a junior) 200 pb: 20.60 -09. 7 World Youth 100 2005; 1 CAC junior 100/200 2006; 3 WJC 100 2006 (1 4x100); Pan-Am junior 100 2007; 4 WJC 100 2008 (2 4x100). He always wears non-matching socks - "It's my thing" ... coach-Glen Mills In 2009: 2 Kingston 400 (Feb 14); 1 Kingston 200 (Feb 21); 1 Spanish Town 100 'B'; 3 Kingston 100 (May 2); dnf Carson 100; 1 New York 100 'B'; 5 Jamaican 200 (6 100); 3 Rome 100 (down from 10.07 to 9.96)					
5,	BOLT Usain JAM	22y	330d	1986	9.86	9.69 -08
	(Pronounced "You-Sain") ... three Olympic golds & three world records in Beijing ... "I think I could go 9.4 [for 100m], but I think the world stops at 9.4." 9.77w -09. 150m pb: 14.35 -09 (world best); 200 pb: 19.30 -08 (19.59 -09). 400 pb: 45.28 -07 (45.54 -09). 1 Central American Youth 200/400 2002; 1 WJC 200 2002 (2 4x100/4x400); 1 World Youth 200 2003 (2001-sf); ht OLY 200 2004; 1 Central American 200 2005; 8 WCH 200 2005; 2 WCP 200 2006; 2 WCH 200 /4x100 2007; 1 OLY 100/200/4x100 2008. 1 Jamaican 200 2003 (at age 17)/2007/2008 (1 100 2008) ... coach-Glen Mills ... 1.95 tall (6-5) In 2009: 1 Kingston 400 (Feb 14); 1 Kingston 400 (Feb 21); 1 Spanish Town 100; On April 29 in Jamaica he escaped serious injury when his new BMW M3 skidded off the road and overturned; 1 Manchester "Great City Games" 150 (including 8.70 for last 100m); 1 Toronto 100; 1 Ostrava 100; 1 Jamaican 100/200; 1 Lausanne 200 (19.59 in wet and with 0.9 headwind)					
6,	BAILEY Daniel ANT	22y	311d	1986	9.96	9.96 -09
	Antigua record holder at 100m ... coach-Glen Mills (same as Usain Bolt, with whom he trains) 9.93w -09. 200 pb: 20.81 -04. 4 World Youth 200 2003 (sf 100); sf Pan-Am Games 200 2003; 1 Central American & Caribbean junior 100 2004 (2 200); 4 WJC 100 2004; 3 Pan-American junior 200 2005 (4 100); ht WCH 100 2005; qf COM 100 2006; dq ht WIC 60 2008; 2 Central American & Caribbean 100 2008 (ht 200); qf OLY 100 2008 In 2009: 4 Kingston 100 (Feb 28); 2 Spanish Town 100; 1 Kingston 100 (Apr 18); 2 Kingston 100 (May 2); 2 Carson 100; 1 Belém 100; 6 New York 100; 1 Berlin 100; 2 Oslo Bislett Games 100; 4 Rome 100					
7,	THOMPSON Richard TRI	24y	40d	1985	10.01	9.89 -08
	Two Olympic silvers from Beijing 2008 ... 200 pb: 20.18 -08 (20.65 -09). 1 North & Central American & Caribbean 100 2007; wf WCH 100 2008; 2 OLY 100/4x100 2008. 1 NCAA indoor 60 & outdoor 100 2008 (representing Louisiana State University). Born-Cascade, Trinidad In 2009: 2 Lafayette 200; 1 Tempe 200; 1 Baton Rouge 100; 4 Kingston 100 (May 2); 6 Carson 100; 5 New York 100; 5 Eugene 100; 1 Trinidad 100; 7 Rome 100; 3ht Rome 100					
8,	WILLIAMSON Simeon GBR	23y	182d	1986	10.05	10.03 -08
	2007 European under-23 Champion & 2007 World Student Games Champion at 100m 200 pb: 21.25 -09. 2 EJC 100 2005; 1 under-23 ECH 100 2007; 1 WSG 100 2007; 7 WIC 2008; qf OLY 100 2008; 4 EIC 60 2009. 1 UK 100 2009. Studied Sport & Recreation at Barnet College ... his second cousin is Olympic high jump silver medallist Germaine Mason ... coaches-Lloyd Cowan & Christine Bomaker In 2009: 3 UK indoor 60; 4 EIC 60; 4ht Manchester "Great City Games"; 8 Rabat 200 (dnf 100); 1 Belgrade 100; 3 Hengelo 100; 5 Geneva 200 'B'; 2 Berlin 100; 2 ETCh 100 'C'; 4 Oslo Bislett Games 100; 1 UK Champs 100 (10.05 into 1.8 wind, beat Dwain Chambers)					
9,	WILLIAMS Ivory USA	24y	76d	1985	10.03	9.94 -08
	Former World Junior Champion at 100m ... 9.95w -09. 200 pb: 20.05w -09, 20.62 -06. 400 pb: 46.25 -05. 1 WJC 100 2004. 1 WJC 4x100 2002/2004. Graduate of Criminal Justice from Butler University, Indianapolis ... lives-Kansas City ... coach-Al Hobson (who also coached Maurice Greene) ... he has a pitbull terrier which is named after himself In 2009: dq US indoor 60 (false starts); 3 Manchester "Great City Games" 150; 4 New York 100 'B'; 3 Eugene 100 'B'; 3 Toronto 100; 7 US champs 100; 4 US champs 200 (7 100); 6 Lausanne 100; 1 Athens 100; 1 Lucerne 100					

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Men's 400 Metres

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best:	44.50	LaShawn Merritt USA	Baie Mahault	1 May 09
	44.50	LaShawn Merritt USA	Eugene	27 Jun 09

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	WISSMAN Johan SWE	26y	257d	1982	45.97	44.56 -07
	World & Olympic finalist at 400m ... 2008 World indoor silver at 400m 200 pb: 20.30 -07 (20.67 -09). qf WJC 200 2000; qf WJC 200 2000; 2 EJC 400 2001; sf EIC 200 2002/2005; sf WCH 200 2003/2005; 3 WIC 200 2004 (2003-ht); 2 ECP 200 2004; qf OLY 200 2004; 2 ECH 200 2006 (2002-ht); 7 WCH 400 2007; 2 WIC 400 2008; 8 OLY 400 2008; 1 EIC 400 2009 (2007-4); 2 ETCh 400 2009. 1 Swedish 200 2001/2003/2004/2006 (1 100 2004, 400 2002/2005); 1 Swedish indoor 200 2002. Has run 3000m steeplechase in 11:12.75 ... studies Economics part-time at the University of Lund ... coach-Kentth Olsson In 2009: 1 Swedish indoor 200; 1 EIC 400; 1 Norrköping 200; 2 Kalamáta 200; 1 Haniá 200; 1 Gothenburg 400; 4 Berlin 400; 2 ETCh 400; 7 Oslo Bislett Games 400					
2,	CHAMBERS Ricardo JAM	24y	282d	1984	45.31	44.62 -07
	5 Central American & Caribbean Games 2006; sf WCH 2007; sf OLY 2008. 1 NCAA 2007 (2006-2, 2005-4); 1 NCAA indoor 2007. 1 Jamaican 2006/2008/2009. Fourth of five children ... coach-Ken Harnden (former Commonwealth Games medallist at 400m hurdles for Zimbabwe) In 2009: 4 Kingston; 2 Tallahassee; 4 Kingston; 8 Carson; 7 New York; 8 Toronto; 1 Jamaican; 5 Rome; 1 Reims					
3,	NEVILLE David USA	25y	45d	1984	45.14	44.61 -08
	2008 Olympic bronze (when he threw himself over the line) & relay gold 200 pb: 20.39 -04 (20.66 -09). 2 Pan-Am junior 200 2003; 2 Pan-American Games 4x400 2007; 3 OLY 2008 (1 4x400). 1 US indoor 2008. His father and grandfather were both athletes and both also called David ... Music graduate from the Indiana University, he is qualified to teach music ... can play the drums, trumpet and piano and can sing gospel ... coach-John Smith (since 2007) In 2009: 2 UCLA Invitational 200; 7 Baie Mahault (7 200); 6 Osaka; 7 New York 200; 5 Eugene; 5 US champs; 7 Rome; 2 Athens					
4,	WARINER Jeremy USA	25y	167d	1984	44.66	43.45 -07
	Two golds each from Athens 2004, Helsinki 2005 & Osaka 2007 but 'only' individual silver & relay gold in Beijing 2008 ... 38/42 wins at 400m in 2005-2008 200 pb: 20.19 -06. 2 Pan-Am Junior 400 2003; 1 OLY 400/4x400 2004; 1 WCH 400/4x400 2005/2007; 2 OLY 2008 (1 4x400). 1 US 2004/2005. Managed by Michael Johnson ... in 2004 uniquely won NCAA titles at 400m & 4x400m both indoors and out ... student of Outdoor Recreation at Baylor University ... has two dogs Heidi (St Bernard) & Lady (German Shepherd/Pyrenean Mountain mix) ... from May 2009 he is coached again by Clyde Hart , in 2008 it was Michael Ford who remains an advisor In 2009: 1 Waco 200 (Mar 21); 1 Arlington 200; 2 Waco 200 (Apr 18); 1 Drake Relays; 1 Osaka; 1 Carson; 4 New York 200; 8sf US champs 200; 1 Lignano					
	In early June he badly twisted his left ankle when tripping over a shoe left out on the track when he was training at the University of Arkansa					
5,	BROWN Chris BAH	30y	275d	1978	44.81	44.40 -08
	Perpetual fourth-placer: at the Commonwealth Games, two World Championships and again in Beijing 2008 ht COM 800 98; qf OLY 2000 (3 4x400); 1 WCH 4x400 2001 (2003-3, 2005/2007-2); 7 COM 2002 (3 4x400); sf WIC 2003; sf WCH 2003 (2001-ht); sf OLY 2004 (would have qualified for final but eased off before the finish line); 4 WCH 2005/2007; 3 WIC 2006/2008; 4 COM 2006; 1 Pan-Am Games 2007; 4 OLY 2008 (2 4x400). 1 Bahamas 2002/2004/2007/2008/2009 ... Bahamas record holder at 400m & 800m (1:49.54 -98) ... his parents Nola & Harcourt were both sprinters ... coach-Innocent Egbunike ... 1.78 tall In 2009: 2 Carson; 3 New York; 1 Berlin; 1 Bahamas; 1 Rome; 1 Tangiers					
	He missed Oslo because a flight cancellation meant he could not come in Europe in good time before his race					
6,	DJHONE Leslie FRA	28y	121d	1981	44.99	44.46 -07
	French record holder ... fifth in Osaka 2007 & Beijing 2008 ... 200 pb: 20.68 -03. LJ pb: 8.06w, 7.92 -01. dnq WJC LJ 98; 1 EJC LJ/4x100 99; 2 WJC 4x100 2000; sf EIC 200 2002; sf WIC 200 2003; 5 ECP 200 2003; 1 under-23 ECH 2003; 4 WCH 2003 (1 4x400); 7 OLY 400 2004; ht WCH 400 2005; 3 ECH 2006; 1 ECP 2007 (2004-3, 2008-4); 5 WCH 2007; 5 OLY 2008. 1 French 2007/2008. Born-Abidjan (Ivory Coast) ... coach-François Pépin In 2009: 1 French indoor; 2 Tomblaine; 2 Lille; 2 Oslo Bislett Games; 1 Paris (Charléty)					
7,	BENJAMIN Tim GBR	27y	76d	1982	45.51	44.56 -05
	He was the only British man to reach an individual track final at the 2005 World Championships ... returning from missing 2008 with chronic sinusitis, he said he came close to retiring 200 pb: 20.67 -01 (20.96 -09). 1 World Youth 200 99; 2 EJC 200 99; sf EIC 200 2000; 3 WJC 200 2000 (98-sf); 1 WJC 4x100 2000; 1 EJC 400/4x400 2001; sf COM 2002 (2 4x400); sf ECH 2002; 2 WIC 4x400 2003; 1 ECP 2004; sf OLY 2004; 5 WCH 2005 (2007-sf); 6 ECH 2006 (2 4x400); 1 ETCh 2009. 1 AAA 2002/2004/2005/2006. Clocked 22.0 for 200 at age 14 ... wife is former AAA indoor 1500m Champion Nathalie Lewis ... coach-Linford Christie (formerly Tony Lester) In 2009: 4 Claremont 200; 1 Westwood 200 'C'; 1 Mt. SAC Relays 200; dnf Kingston; 1 Turin; 2 Thessaloníki; 2 Welsh 200; 1 ETCh; 2 Milan					
8,	STEFFENSEN John AUS	26y	321d	1982	45.28	44.73 -06
	2006 Commonwealth Champion ... 2005 World finalist ... 2004 Olympic relay silver 400 pb: 44.73 -06. LJ pb: 7.28w, 7.18 -02. ht WCH 4x400 2003; 2 OLY 4x400 2004 (ran first leg); 8 WCH 2005 (2007-sf); 1 COM 400/4x400 2006. 1 Australian 2006. Former junior boxing champion, he still boxes once a week ... parents from South Africa ... born-Perth, lives-Sydney & Beverly Hills ... coach-John Smith (formerly Bobby Kersee) In 2009: 5 Sydney; 2 Melbourne; 2 Australian; 4 Osaka; 6 Thessaloníki; 4 Rome; 2 Reims					

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Men's 800 Metres

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2009 World Best:	1:43.09	Abubaker Kaki SUD	Doha	8 May 09
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		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	BATTANI Mohammed MAR 7 WJC 2002. 1 French 2008 In 2009: 2 Montreuil-sous-Bois (May 17); 1 Forbach; 2 Strasbourg; 7 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 2 Argentan; 2 Marseille; 5 Sotteville-lès-Rouen (Jul 5); 2 Albertville; 1 Reims	26y	132d	1983	1:47.42	1:47.42 -09
2,	LACASSE Florent FRA 2000 World junior silver ... ht WJC 800/1500 98; 8 EJC 99; 2 WJC 2000; sf WIC 2001 (2004-sf); sf EIC 2002; 2 under-23 ECH 2003; sf WCH 2003; 1 ECP 2004 (2003-2, 2006-3); 6 ECH 2006 (2002-sf); 7 WCP 2006. 1 French indoor 2001/2003/2007. 1 French 2005/2006 ... two-year doping suspension to July 12, 2009 ... born-Paris ...1.85 tall In 2009: 4 Reims	28y	177d	1981	1:48.57	1:44.48 -04
3,	RIMMER Michael GBR 2006 European finalist ... 3x UK Champion ... 1500 pb: 3:45.71 -07. 4 World Youth 2003 (2001-sf); 8 WJC 2004; 3 Commonwealth Youth Games 2004; 8 EJC 2005; 8 ECH 2006; 2 ECP 2007; sf WCH 2007; sf OLY 2008. 1 AAA 2006 & UK 2007/2008/2009. Coach-Norman Poole (trains with Tom Lancashire among others) In 2009: 2 Stretford BMC 1500; 3 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 2 Berlin; 11 Milan; 1 UK Champs	23y	164d	1986	1:46.31	1:44.68 -08
4a,	WILLIAMS Karjuan USA 2 Pan-American junior 2005; ht WJC 2006. 4 US indoor 2008/2009 In 2009: 4 US indoor; 1 Chapel Hill (Apr 11); 5 Kingston; 1 Chapel Hill (May 8); 4 Ponce; 3 Toronto; 7 US champs; 7 Tangiers; 2 Reims	22y	12d	1987	1:46.06	1:46.06 -09
4b,	HAUTCOEUR Kevin FRA 4 WJC 2004; 1 under-23 ECH 2005. 1 French under-23 indoor 2005/2006/2007 In 2009: 1 Antony; 1 Bonneuil-sur-Marne; 4 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 1 Jambes; 7 Milan; 4 Oordegem; 3 Reims	24y	181d	1985	1:47.12	1:47.12 -09
5,	CAMPBELL Dave IRL 1500 pb: 3:39.49 -08 (3:40.35 -09). ht ECH 800 2006; ht WCH 800 2007. 1 Irish 800/1500 2007 & indoor 800 2001 In 2009: 3 Melbourne; 3 Christchurch; dnf Australian; 3 Belgrade; 2 Gothenburg 1500; 2 Sollentuna; 5 Oslo Bislett Games; 2 Nuoro 1500	27y	170d	1982	1:45.59	1:45.59 -09
6a,	MANSOUR Nadim ALG 2008 Olympic finalist in his first year as a senior ... 7 World Youth 2005; sf WJC 2006; 8 OLY 2008. He has a younger brother Liyas (16y) who is a jumper & hurdler ... coach-Amar Brahmia In 2009: 6 Stockholm; dnf Doha; 1 Algiers; 2 Casablanca; 6 Oslo Bislett Games; 3 Rome	21y	38d	1988	1:45.64	1:44.75 -08
6b,	ROBINSON Khadevis USA ("KD") ... 4x US Champion outdoors, three times indoors ... ran in heat of 1999 World Indoor 4x400, so awarded gold won by USA in final 400 pb: 46.55 -98. sf WIC 99/2006/2008 (2003-ht) sf WCH 2003/2005/2007 (99/2001-ht); ht OLY 2004; 6 WCP 2006. 1 US 99/2005/2006/2007 (1 indoor 2006/2008/2009); 1 NCAA 98 ... coach-Frank Little ... lives-Santa Monica, California; studied public administration at Cal State University in Los Angeles ...1.86 tall In 2009: 1 US indoor; 1 Kingston; 1 New York; 5 Eugene; 1 Toronto; 2 US champs; 1 Santa Monica	32y	362d	1976	1:44.47	1:43.68 -06
7,	ISMAIL Ahmad SUD From eighth in 2004 Olympic final to silver in 2008 ... ht WJC 2000 (dq 1500 ht when he attempted to re-join race after voluntarily leaving the track); ht WIC 1500 2001; dq ht World Youth 2001 (ran out of lane); 5 WJC 2002; ht WCH 2003/2007; 5 African Games 2003; 4 World Military 2003 (2002-6); ht WIC 2004; 2 African Champs 2006; 2 OLY 2008 (2004-8). 1 AAA indoor 2004 In 2009: 7 Eugene; 2 Ostrava; 1 Sollentuna; 3 Madrid; 1 Lausanne; 2 Athens	24y	309d	1984	1:43.82	1:43.82 -09
8,	ABDELGADIR Abdallah SUD PACEMAKER – 50.0 to 400m, 1:16 to 600m ... 1500 pb: 3:38.93 -08. 5 World Youth 800 2003; 7 African Games 1500 2003 (2007-ht); 1 Afro-Asian 1500 2003; 12 WJC 1500 2006; 8 African Champs 800 2008; ht OLY 1500 2008. At WXC: 2003-41J In 2009: 1 Khartoum 1500; 2 Sollentuna; 1 Kristiinankaupunki; paced Oslo Bislett Games; 2 Karlskrona; 2 Lappeenranta	20y	331d	1988	1:47.12	1:47.12 -09

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Men's 3000 Metres

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2009 World Best: 7:28.37 Eliud Kipchoge KEN Doha 8 May 09

Bekele 3 versus Lagat 2 in their five meetings
Pace is aimed at a final time of 7:24, which only two men have ever beaten (7:20.67 Daniel Komen 1997 & 7:23.09 Hicham El Guerrouj 1998). Pace for the world record of Komen was 1000m-2:26.5, 2000m-4:53.4

		Age (Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	YATOR Vincent KEN 5000 pb: 13:26.06 -09. 3000SC pb: 8:29.07 -09. 6 WJC 5000 2008. 2 Kenyan junior 5000 2008 In 2009: 10 Hengelo 3000SC; 6 Milan 5000	20y 6d	1989	-	-
2,	WARGA Sahle ETH Full name is apparently Sahle Warge Betona ... 5000 pb: 13:06.51 -07 (13:29.78 -09). Road 10K pb: 28:35 -05 In 2009: 21 "World's Best" San Juan 10K; 6 New York 5000	27/28y	1981	-	7:41.05 -08
3,	HIGUERO Juan Carlos ESP Olympic 1500m finalist in Sydney & Beijing ... double bronze at 2006 Europeans ... 2007 European Indoor Champion ... 2008 World indoor bronze 800 pb: 1:46.00 -03 (1:47.27 -09). 1500 pb: 3:31.57 -06 (3:32.59 -09). 5000 pb: 13:24.24 -09. 3 EJC 5000 97; 5 ECH 1500 2002; 8 WIC 1500 2003 (2001-9, 2004-ht); 1 ECP 1500 2003/2005 (2006-2); 6 WCH 1500 2005 (2003-11, 2007-13); 3 ECH 1500/5000 2006; 1 EIC 1500 2007 (2000-6, 2002/2005-2); 3 WIC 1500 2008; 5 OLY 1500 2008 (2000-8, 2004-sf). 1 Spanish 1500 2000/2002/2003/2006/2007 (1 indoor 2002/2003/2004/2005). At WXC: 96-51J, 97-26J, 2005-39 short, 2006-31 short. At EXC: 97-4J ... coach-Antonio Serrano In 2009: 2 Laredo 10K; 1 Burgos Mile; 7 Huelva 5000; 7 Málaga 800; 6 Madrid 800 'B'; 6 Rome 1500	30y 348d	1978	-	7:43.97 -08
4,	BIWOTT Yusuf KEN Full name-Yusuf Kibet Biwot ... 1500 pb: 3:34.04 -06. 5000 pb: 12:58.49 -07 (13:19.18 -09) . At WXC: 2006-20 short (team gold). 4 World Athletics Final 3000 2006 In 2009: 4 Kenyan North Rift Valley Provincial XC; 13 Hengelo 5000; 11 Warsaw; 11 Ostrava Mile; 5 Tangiers 5000	22y 247d	1986	-	7:33.39 -07
5,	SALEL Daniel KEN Full name-Daniel Lemashon Selal ... 1500 pb: 3:38.79 -09. 1 World Youth 3000 2007 In 2009: 1 Rehlingen 3000; 6 Baunatal 1500; 4 Algiers 1500; 6 Ostrava Mile; 1 Kortrijk 1500	18y 218d	1990	7:47.20	7:45.85 -08
6,	MAROFIT Mourad MAR 5000 pb: 13:02.84 -08 (13:13.19 -09). Half Mar pb: 61:43 -06. ht WCH 5000 2007; ht OLY 5000 2008. At WXC: 2004-54 short, 2007-33, 2008-47, 2009-46. 1 Marrakech Half Mar 2006/2007 In 2009: 46 WXC; 4 Rabat 5000; 14 Berlin 5000; 1 Nantes 3000; 3 Marseille 5000; 3 Sotteville-lès-Rouen 3000	27y 172d	1982	7:44.85	7:44.85 -09
7,	CHERKOS Abreham ETH 2005 World Youth Champion at 3000m ... 2008 World Junior Champion at 5000m 5000 pb: 12:54.19 -06 (13:07.83i -09). 1 World Youth 3000 2005; 8 WCH 5000 2007; 3 WIC 3000 2008; 1 WJC 5000 2008 (2006-2); 5 OLY 5000 2008. At WXC: 2007-15J. Won 2006 Carlsbad road 5K in 13:15, at age 16. Full name-Abreham Cherkos (father's name) Feleke (grandfather's name). Acted as a pacemaker (unofficially) in Zurich 3000m 2007 and officially in Brussels 10,000m 2007 & Eugene 10,000m 2008 In 2009: 2 Stuttgart 3000; 2 Carlsbad 5K	19y 297d	1989	7:34.05i	7:32.37 -06
8,	AMDOUNI Mourad FRA 2007 European Junior Champion at 5000m and cross country ... 5000 pb: 13:14.19 -09. 1500 pb: 3:42.84 -07. ht WJC 1500 2006; 1 EJC 5000 2007; dnf ETCh 3000 2009. At WXC: 2007-38J (first European). At EXC: 2006-12J, 2007-1J, 2008-8u23 In 2009: 12 Le Mans XC; 20 French XC; 63 WXC; 5 Rabat 5000 (pb down from 13:56.03 to 13:14.19!); dnf ETCh 3000 (he was the second to be withdrawn from the race because he was in last place with four laps remaining)	21y 177d	1988	-	7:59.06 -08
9,	KWALIA James QAT TRANSFEREE – Formerly: KEN (has retained original name) Twice Asian Champion at 5000m 5000 pb: 12:54.58 -03 (13:05.46 -09). Mile pb: 3:50.39 -03. 3 World Youth 3000 2001; 13 WCH 5000 2005; 1 Asian Champs 5000 2005; 1 Asian Games 5000 2006; 3 Asian Indoor Champs 3000 2008; 9 WIC 3000 2008; 8 OLY 5000 2008. Received Qatar passport on August 5, 2004 and cleared to compete for that country from October 28, 2004. At WXC: 2005-15 short In 2009: 2 Gulf 5000; 7 Doha 3000; 1 International Military Champs 5000 (9 1500); 2 Oslo Bislett Games 5000; 8 Lausanne 3000	25y 34d	1984	7:43.26	7:28.28 -04
10,	KOMON Leonard KEN Full name-Leonard Patrick Komon Second in 2008 World Cross Country Championships at age 20, then fourth in 2009 10,000 pb: 26:57.08 -08 (28:02.24 -09). 5000 pb: 13:04.12 -06. At WXC: 2006-2J, 2007-4J, 2008-2, 2009-4. Youngest of 14 children In 2009: 4 WXC; 8 Eugene 3000; 6 Kenyan 10,000; 7 Lausanne 3000	21y 188d	1988	7:45.53	7:34.06 -08
11,	CRAGG Alistair IRL Former European Indoor Champion at 3000m ... Irish record holder at 10,000m 1500 pb: 3:36.18 -07 (3:38.44 -09). 5000 pb: 13:07.10 -07 (13:16.83 -09). 10,000 pb: 27:39.55 -07. 1500 pb: 3:36.18 -07. 12 OLY 5000 2004 (2008-dnf); 1 EIC 3000 2005 (2007-6); 4 WIC 3000 2006; dnf ECH 5000 2006 (Achilles tendon injury after having taken the lead); ht WCH 5000 2007; ht OLY 1500 2008. At WXC: 98-123J, 99-56J, 2004-16 short, 2006/2008-dnf. 1 NCAA indoor 5000 2002/2003/2004 (1 3000 2003/2004); 1 NCAA 5000 2003 & 10,000 2004. 1 Irish 1500 2004. Studied Marketing at Arkansas University ... coach-John McDonnell ... formerly represented South Africa; born-Johannesburg, he holds an Irish passport since both grandparents on his mother's side were Irish-born ... defeated Kenenisa Bekele indoors in 2005 In 2009: 8 Carlsbad 5K; 3 Boston Mile; 1 Stanford 5000; 2 Carson 5000; 5 Eugene 3000; 7 Oslo Bislett Games 1500; dnf Lausanne 1500	29y 33d	1980	7:37.84	7:37.84 -09
12,	SOLINSKY Chris USA 2007 US Collegiate Champion at 5000m indoors & out ... 5000 pb: 13:12.24 -07 (13:18.41 -09). 1500 pb: 3:37.27 -07. 3 NCAA XC 2005; 1 NCAA 5000 indoors & out 2007, representing the University of Wisconsin where he studied history ... lives-Madison, Wisconsin ... German descent ... coach-Jerry Schumaker In 2009: 5 Stanford 1500 (Mar 27); dnf Stanford 10,000 (May 2); 3 Eugene 3000; 2 US champs 5000	24y 223d	1984	7:37.05	7:36.90 -07

13,	LAGAT Bernard USA	34y	217d	1974	7:35.92	7:33.51 -00
	2007 World Champion at 1500m & 5000m ... 2000 Olympic 1500m bronze & 2004 silver for Kenya, now representing the USA 7:32.43i -07. 1500 pb: 3:26.34 -01 (3:32.56 -09). 5000 pb: 12:59.22 -06. 800 pb: 1:46.00 -03. 1 WSG 1500 99; 2 WCH 1500 2001; 1 African Champs 1500 2002; 1 WCP 1500 2002; 2 WIC 1500 2003; 1 WIC 3000 2004 (2001-6); 2 OLY 1500 2004 (2000-3, 2008-sf); 1 WCH 1500/5000 2007; 9 OLY 5000 2008. 1 US 1500/5000 2006/2008 (1 5000 2007). Was at Washington State University where he obtained degrees in both Management Information Systems and Decision Science ... married Gladys Tom on October 10, 2004, their son Miiika Kimutai Lagat born January 12, 2006 ... coach-James Li In 2009: 1 Carson; 2 New York 5000; 1 Eugene 3000; 3ht US champs 800 (dnf sf, but all he had to do was compete in the meeting to confirm his "wildcard" selection as defending World Champion in both the 1500m & 5000m in Berlin); 8 Lausanne 800; 1 Tangiers 1500 (3:32.56, his fastest since 2006)					
14,	BEKELE Kenenisa ETH	27y	34d	1982	-	7:25.79 -07
	AF GOLDEN LEAGUE JACKPOT CONTENDER Olympic Champion & World record holder at 5000m & 10,000m ... unbeaten in 11 10,000m races ... winner of 16 gold medals at the World Cross Country Championships 10,000 pb: 26:17.53 -05. 1500 pb: 3:32.35 -07. 3000 pb: 7:25.79 -07. 2 World Youth 3000 1999; 2 WJC 5000 2000; 1 WCH 10,000 2003/2005/2007 (3 5000 2003); 1 OLY 10,000 2004 (2 5000); 1 WIC 3000 2006; 1 African Champs 5000 2006; 2 WCP 3000 2006; 1 OLY 5000/10,000 2008 (he ran the last mile of the 5000m in 3:58.7). At WXC: 99-9J, 2001-2 short, 1J, 2002/2003/2004/2005/2006-1 short/1 long, 2007-dnf, 2008-1. Married actress and model Danawit Gebregziabher in Addis Ababa in November 17, 2007 ... suffered a stress fracture during an attempt to break a world record at 15Km in Nimegen on November 16, 2008 ... full name-Kenenisa Bekele Beyecha In 2009: dnf Hengelo 1500 (pain in right thigh); 1 Berlin 5000; 1 Oslo Bislett Games 5000; 1 Rome 5000 (Therefore unbeaten in 14 5000m finals since losing to Bernard Lagat in London on July 28, 2006)					
15,	ESHO Benson KEN	22y	165d	1987	7:50.69	7:50.69 -09
	PACEMAKER – 59.1 to 400m, 2:27 to 1000m Former World Youth Champion at 1500m 800 pb: 1:46.25 -04. 1500 pb: 3:35.80 -05 (3:39.40 -09). 3000 pb: 7:59.90 -07. 1 World Youth 1500 2003; 2 WJC 1500 2004 In 2007: dnf Herrera 1500; 7 Stavanger 3000; dnf Oslo Golden League 1500; 1 Bussolengo 800; dnf Rethymno 3000; dnf Rovereto 5000					
16,	POLONET Vickson KEN	24y	15d	1985	-	7:51.64 -05
	PACEMAKER – 4:54 to 2000m ... 800 pb: 1:49.6 -04. 1500 pb: 3:36.45 -08 (3:36.71 -09). 3 African junior 2003; 3 Kenyan Police 2008 In 2009: paced Berlin; 5 Ostrava Mile; 5 Málaga; paced Oslo Bislett Games Mile; paced Rome 1500					
17,	NDIWA Cornelius KEN	20y	211d	1988	-	-
	PACEMAKER – 59.1 to 400m, 2:27 to 1000m ... 1500 pb: 3:37.35 -08 (3:38.99 -09). Cousin of former World Junior Cross Country Champion Mang'ata Ndiwa In 2009: 3 Nijmegen 1500; 10 Hengelo 1500; 3 Prague 1500; paced Berlin 5000; paced Oslo Bislett Games 5000; paced Rome 5000					

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Men's 3000m Steeplechase

21:47



2009 World Best: 7:58.85 Ezekiel Kemboi KEN Doha 5 May 09
 France's other great steeplechaser Bob Tahri just broke the European record with 8:02.19 in Metz on July 3
 The pace for Saif Saaeed Shaheen's world record 7:53.63 in 2004 was 1000m-2:36.13, 2000m-5:18.09

			Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	ZERRIFI Abdelhamid ALG		23y	27d	1986	8:32.23	8:32.23 -09
	7 French 2008 In 2009: 8 Montgeron 1500; 3 Montreuil-sous-Bois 3000; 2 Pézenas; 2 Algiers; 6 Metz						
2,	KESKISALO Jukka FIN		28y	112d	1981	8:21.28	8:16.74 -06
	Shock European Champion in 2006 after being only sixth at the bell 5000 pb: 13:39.81 -09. 7 EJC 99; 7 WJC 2000; 3 under-23 ECH 2003; 9 WCH 2003 (2005-ht); 3 ECP 2006; 1 ECH 2006; 4 WCP 2006. 1 Finnish 2003/2005/2006/2008 (1 1500 2003/2006). At WXC: 99-109J. At EXC: 99-78J, 2000-46J In 2009: 12 Stanford 10,000 'B'; 9 Mt. SAC Relays 5000 'B'; 9 Hengelo; 1 Huelva; 1 Kuortane 3000; 1 Tampere; 1 ETCh 1st League; 2 Lappeenranta 5000						
3,	LAMISO Legese ETH		19y	185d	1990	8:20.58	8:20.58 -09
	1 World Youth 2000SC 2007; 5 African Champs 2008; 5 WJC 2008. At WXC: 2009-16J In 2009: 1 Addis Ababa; 7 Ethiopian junior XC; 16 WXC-j; 2 Ethiopian; 11 Hengelo; 1 Prague						
4,	MOHAMED Mustafa SWE		30y	138d	1979	8:19.95	8:05.75 -07
	World & Olympic steeplechase finalist; fourth in Gothenburg 2006 & Osaka 2007 where he was the first non-Kenyan 5000 pb: 13:32.08 -07. 2 EJC 10,000 97; 8 WJC 98; 4 ECH 2006; 4 WCH 2007 (2003-ht, 2005-10); 10 OLY 2008 (2004-13); 1 ETCh 2009. At WXC: 98-54J, 2007-28. At EXC: 97-3J, 98-8J, 2000-73, 2002-59, 2003-20, 2004-22, 2005-14, 2006-3, 2007-2, 2008-3. 1 Swedish 2002/2003/2008 (1 5000 2007). Former footballer ... mother-Somalian; stepfather-Swedish who was aid worker in Somalia ... brother Ahmed is an international steeplechaser ... born-Mogadishu ... coach-Ulf Friberg In 2009: 2 European Clubs XC; 1 Swedish XC; 13 Nijmegen 1500; 6 Rehlingen 3000; 7 Gothenburg 5000; 9 Ostrava; 1 ETCh						
5,	KIPROTICH Wesley KEN		29y	350d	1979	8:18.08	8:05.68 -04
	2 COM 2006 ... In 2009: 9 Doha; 3ht Kenyan; 2 Tangiers						
6,	AYEKO Simon UGA		22y	68d	1987	8:18.04	8:18.04 -09
	Two medals at 2007 World Student Games ... 1500 pb: 3:39.60 -09. 5000 pb: 13:40.4 -06. 16 WJC 5000 2006; 2 World Student Games 10,000 2007 (3 5000, 9 3000SC). At WXC: 2006-46 short, 2008-55 In 2009: 4 Mondeville 3000; 13 Hengelo; 2 Nantes; 3 Tomblaine 2000SC; 4 Metz; 12 Sotteville-lès-Rouen 3000						
7,	KOSGEI Collins KEN		22y	347d	1986	8:16.50	8:13.87 -08
	5000 pb: 13:31.38 -08. 2 Australian 2008 In 2009: 8 Doha; 2 Prague; 1 Königs Wusterhausen; 8 Ostrava; 5 Sotteville-lès-Rouen 3000; 1 Kapfenberg 1500; 10 Athens						
8,	LE DAUPHIN Vincent FRA		33y	18d	1976	8:39.76	8:15.76 -99
	2004 Olympic finalist ... serious injury in 2006 European Championship heat ht WCH 99/2003; 9 ECH 2002 (98/2006 -ht); ht WCH 2003/2005; ht EIC 3000 2005; 10 OLY 2004; 3 ECP 2005; ht WIC 3000 2006; 2 ECP 2006 (2005-3). 1 French 2002/2003. At WXC: 2005-79 short. Ex-triathlete ... born-St-Brieuc ... coaches-Patrice Binelli & Jean-Pierre Bourel In 2009: 1 Pézenas; 4 Tomblaine						
9,	ZOUAOUI DANDRIEUX Vincent FRA		28y	277d	1980	8:32.05	8:14.74 -08
	Second at 2009 European Team Championships ... 2 WSG 2003 (2005-9); 6 Mediterranean Games 2005; ht WCH 2007; ht OLY 2008; 2 ETCh 2009. At EXC: 99-52J. He works as an accountant for the French Athletics Federation In 2009: 1 Tremblay-en-France 3000; 1 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 2 ETCh						
10,	RAMOLEFI Ruben RSA		31y	today	1978	8:16.04	8:16.04 -09
	South African record holder & 6x Champion ... 9 WSG 5000 2003; 5 African Champs 2004; ht WCH 2005/2007; 3 WSG 2005; 7 COM 2006; 8 African Games 2007; 14 OLY 2008. 1 South African 2004/2005/2006/2007/2008/2009 (1 5000 2005). At WXC: 2005-38 short In 2009: 1 Durban; 1 Port Elizabeth; 1 Stellenbosch; 1 South African; 7 Rabat; 4 Kuortane 3000; 2 Tampere 1500; 1 Turku 1500; 8 Sollentuna 1500						
11,	KIPLAGAT Benjamin UGA		20y	135d	1989	8:12.98	8:12.98 -09
	Ugandan Steeplechase record holder & ninth at Beijing Olympics while still a junior ... 2008 World junior silver 5000 pb: 13:22.67 -07. 7 African Games 2007. ht WCH 2007; 2 WJC 2008 (2006-6); 9 OLY 2008. At WXC: 2006-50 short, 2007-5J In 2009: 7 Ugandan XC; 7 Doha; 2 Nijmegen 1500; 6 Hengelo; 6 Ostrava; 8 Athens						
12,	GARI Roba ETH		27y	96d	1982	8:12.03	8:12.03 -09
	New Ethiopian record holder ... 2007 World finalist ... 5 African Games 2007; 10 WCH 2007; ht OLY 2009. 1 Ethiopian 2005/2007 In 2009: 1 Mustasaari 3000; 1 Ethiopian; 1 Río de Janeiro; 1 Dessau; 2 Eugene; 7 Ostrava; 5 Athens (broke Ethiopian record with 8:12.03)						
13,	MUTAI Abel KEN		20y	287d	1988	8:11.40	8:11.40 -09
	Full name-Abel Kiprop Mutai Former World Youth & African Junior Champion 1 World Youth 2000SC 2005; 1 African junior 2007 In 2009: 3 Kenyan; 1 Velenje; 4 Athens						
14,	KEMBOI Ezekiel KEN		27y	53d	1982	7:58.85	7:58.85 -09
	Former Olympic Champion ... 2006 Commonwealth Games Champion (named son after the city) ... three times World silver medallist 1 African junior 2001; 4 African Champs 2002; 2 WCH 2003 after great race with the former Stephen Cherono when he apparently misread the lap counter, thinking there were two laps remaining instead of five; 1 African Games 2003 (2007-2); 1 OLY 2004 (2008-7); 2 WCH 2005; 1 COM 2006 (2002-2); dq African Champs 2006; 2 WCH 2007. 1 Kenyan 2008. Has 50-acre farm in Eldoret, producing maize & rice ... plays as a forward from the local football team of his home town of Matira ... son Kiprono Manchester Kemboi jnr born September 2, 2002 In 2009: 1 Doha; 1 Ostrava; disqualified from his heat at the Kenyan Championships (he says he was not told why), then reinstated only to fall at the last water jump in the final – however note the Kenyan World Championship Trials are a separate meeting to be held next weekend						

15,	MEKHISSI-BENABBAD Mahiedine FRA	24y	124d	1985	8:06.98	8:06.98 -09
	2008 Olympic silver, he nearly beat all the Kenyans ... voted Athlete of the Year in France for 2008 1500 pb: 3:35.06 -09. ht WJC 2004; 8 ECP 1500 2006; 8 WCP 1500 2006; 1 under-23 ECH 2007; ht WCH 2007; 1 ECP 2008 (2007-2); 2 OLY 2008. At WXC: 2004-61J. 1 French 2008. Graduate of Commerce ... 5th of 10 children ... Coach-Zouir Foughali ... 1.90 tall In 2009: 3 Rabat 1500 (pb 3:35.06); 2 Hengelo 3000SC; 1 Tomblaine 1000 (pb 2:17.14); 1 Lille 1500					
	He is very keen to crack eight minutes here – “The most important thing will be the time and not the victory”					
16,	CHELIMO Elijah KEN	25y	128d	1984	8:10.63	8:10.63 -09
	PACEMAKER 2 – 5:20 to 2000m ... 4 African Games 2007. 2 Kenyan 2008/2009 In 2009: 5 Doha; 3 Rabat; 3 Hengelo; 2 Bydgoszcz; 5 Ostrava; 2 Kenyan					
17,	LANGAT David KEN	26y	129d	1983	-	8:24.19 -08
	PACEMAKER 1 – 2:39 to 1000m Full name-David Kiprono Langat ... Paced 2008 Paris Steeplechase					

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Men's 110 Metres Hurdles

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best:	13.04	Dayron Robles CUB	Ostrava	17 Jun 09
Dayron Robles out – ill				

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	DARIEN Garfield FRA	21y	207d	1987	13.52	13.50 -08
	13.38w -09. 7 WJC 2004; 1 EJC 2007. 1 French under-23 2008. His father/coach Daniel Darien clocked 13.76 in 1987 In 2009: 1 French under-23 indoor; 2 French indoor; 6 EIC; 1 Chambéry; 1 Albertville					
2,	THOMAS Dwight JAM	28y	296d	1980	13.36	13.34 -04
	Fourth in 2002 Commonwealth Games 100m, fifth in 2005 World 100m ... ran in heat of 2008 Olympic 4x100m (deputising for Usain Bolt), so awarded gold medal won by Jamaica in final 100 pb: 10.00 -05 (10.42 -09). 200 pb: 20.32 -07. 60H pb: 7.60i -04. 1 Central American & Caribbean junior 110H 98 (6 100); 3 WJC 100 98 (1 4x100); 1 Pan-American Junior 100/200 99; 3 Pan-Am Games 4x100 99; qf OLY 200 2000 (4 4x100); =4 COM 100 2002 (2 4x100); sf WIC 60 2003; 8 WIC 60H 2004; sf OLY 100 2004; 5 WCH 100 2005 (2003-sf). 1 Jamaican 100/200 2002. Ran in heat of 2007 World 4x100, so awarded silver medal won by Jamaica in final In 2009: 1 Orlando 110H; 4 Turin 100; 2 Prague 110H; 3 Bydgoszcz 110H; 1 Orlando 110H; 2 Jamaican 110H; 1 Sotteville-lès-Rouen 110H; 1 Salamanca 110H; 1 Lignano 110H; 1 Reims 110H					
3,	DOUCOURE Ladji FRA	26y	111d	1983	13.44	12.97 -05
	2005 World Champion in hurdles & relay ... Dec pb: 7794 -01. 1 World Youth 99; 2 WJC 4x100 2000 (3 110H); 1 EJC Decathlon 2001 (2 4x100); 4 WIC 2003; 1 ECP 2003/2005/2006/2007 (2001-7); sf WCH 2003/200 7; 8 OLY 2004 (was in second place when he hit the final hurdle); 1 EIC 2005/2009; 1 WCH 110H/4x100 2005; sf ECH 2006 (injured); sf WCH 2007; 4 OLY 2008; 4 ETCh 2009. 1 French 2004/2005/2007/2008. Born-Juvisy-sur-Orge ... father from Mali, mother Senegalese ... he was a promising footballer before breaking his shin bone playing for his school in the French schools championships ... coach-Renaud Longuevre In 2009: 1 French indoor; 1 EIC; 7 New York; 7 Berlin; 4 ETCh; 1 Tomblaine; 1 Lille; 3 Sotteville-lès-Rouen "My ankle is still hurting a bit but I have to put back my name on the top of the list. I won't give up."					
4,	FAULK Dexter USA	25y	93d	1984	13.13	13.13 -09
	6 World Youth 2001; 2 Pan-Am junior 2003; 1 North & Central American & Caribbean 2007. dq sf US Olympic Trials 2008 ... he can play the saxophone & trombone ... studied criminal justice at Barton County Community College based-Kansas City ... coach-AI Hobson ... 1.87 tall In 2009: 2 US indoor; 4 Texas Relays 'B'; 2 Kansas Relays; 2 Drake Relays; 3 Baie Mahault; 5 Doha; 2 Ponce; 2 Belgrade; 7ht Hengelo 100; 1 Turin; 1 Prague; 2 Bydgoszcz; 1 Berlin; 2 Ostrava; 8 US champs (stumbled in final after winning 13.16w heat & 13.17w semi); 5 Oslo Bislett Games; 2 Lausanne (good race with Robles); 3 Rome					
5,	MERRITT Aries USA	23y	358d	1985	13.15	13.09 -07
	Former World Junior Champion ... 2006 US Collegiate Champion indoors & out, representing the University of Tennessee 1 WJC 2004. 1 NCAA indoor/out 2006. Graduate of Sports Management ... lives-College Station, Texas ... "My [high school] coach saw me jumping a fence and said I should take up hurdling" ... coach-Vince Henderson In 2009: 2 Texas Relays 'B'; 1 Westwood; 3 Kingston; 4 Carson; 2 New York; 2 Thessaloníki; 1 Lugano; 3 US champs; 3 Lausanne; 4 Rome; 5 Athens					
6,	TURNER Andy GBR	28y	300d	1980	13.30	13.27 -07
	Third on British all-time list at 110mH after Colin Jackson 12.91 and Tony Jarrett 13.00 200 pb: 20.71w -07, 20.93 -06. 2 ECP 2006 (2004-3, 2003-5); 3 COM 2006; 3 ECH 2006; 4 EIC 2007/2009 (2005-ht); sf WCH 2007; qf OLY 2008 (2004-ht); 1 ETCh 2009. 1 AAA indoors & out 2006. 1 UK 2007/2008/2009. Started as a footballer, played for Nottingham County youth squad and once competed at Wembley stadium ... lives-Sutton, partner Natalie, their daughters Jasmin & Carmen ... coach-Lloyd Cowan In 2009: dq UK indoor (false starts); 4 EIC; 4 Azusa 100; 1 Manchester "Great City Games" 150 'B'; 1 Hoorn; 1 Belgrade; 1 Hengelo; 3 Turin; 1 ETCh; 2 Oslo Bislett Games; 5 Lausanne Here: 1h2-13.52					
7,	HICKS Antwon USA	26y	127d	1983	13.24	13.09 -08
	Former World Junior Champion ... 1 WJC 2002. 1 NCAA indoor 2004/2005; 2 NCAA 2005. Sociology graduate from the University of Mississippi ... coach-Joseph Walker In 2009: 1 Kansas Relays; 1 Kingston; 2 Doha; 2 Carson; 4 New York; dq/sf US champs (swerved around a hurdle after stumbling); 1 Oslo Bislett Games; 4 Lausanne; 2 Rome; 2 Reims					
8,	WILSON Ryan USA	28y	209d	1980	13.21	13.02 -07
	2003 US Collegiate Champion ... 400H pb: 49.33 -03. 1 NCAA 2003. qf US Olympic Trials 2004. He was disqualified for false starting at the 2007 World Athletics Final. Graduate of art degree from the University of Southern California (he specialises in sculpture) ... keeps a pair of pet frogs "One Toe" and "Perch" ... coach-Darrell Smith In 2009: 2 Westwood; 1 Mt. SAC Relays; 1 Drake Relays; 2 Baie Mahault; 1 Río de Janeiro; 1 Uberlândia; 1 Belém; 3 Hengelo; 2 Berlin; 5ht US champs; 8 Oslo Bislett Games; 8 Lausanne; 6 Rome; 8 Athens					
9,	JOHNSON Allen USA	38y	138d	1971	13.75	12.92 -96
	Former Olympic & World Champion ... 12.96 in Athens on September 17, 2006 was his 11th sub-13 time and a world over-35 best 13.67w -09. 1 WIC 95/2003/2004 (2008-2); 1 WCH 95/97/2001/2003 (99-dns sf, 2005-3); 1 OLY 96 (2000-4, 2004-fell/qf); 1 WCP 2006 in 12.96 at age 35. 1 US 96/97/2000/2001/2002/2003/2005 (1 indoors 95/2002/2003/2004). Ran 12.92 twice in 1996 ... born-Washington DC ... daughter-Tristine born September 28, 1992 In 2009: 3ht US champs; 5 Reims					

He won the fourth and final of his world titles on this track in 2003

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Men's Pole Vault

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2009 World Best:	6.01 6.06i	Renaud Lavillenie FRA Steve Hooker AUS	Leiria Boston	21 Jun 09 7 Feb 09
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		Age (Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	GERASIMOV Pavel RUS 2005 World bronze, 2009 European Indoor silver ... 5.76i -09. 2 EJC 97; 1 WJC 98; nh under-23 ECH 99; 5 WIC 2001 (2004-dnq); 6 EIC 2002 (2005/2007-dnq); 12 ECH 2002; 2 World Military 2003; 13 OLY 2004 (2000-dnq); 3 WCH 2005 (2003-dnq); dnq WIC 2008; 2 EIC 2009. 1 Russian 2000 & Russian indoor 2007/2009 ... coach-Yevgeniy Bonderenko (same as Svetlana Feofanova) ... 1.90 tall In 2009: 1 Russian indoor; 2 EIC; 4 Moscow Open; nh Zhukovskiy; =6 Reims	30y	49d 1979	5.60	5.90 -00
2,	CLAVIER Jérôme FRA Seventh at Beijing Olympics ... 5.75i -08. 6 WJC 2002; 7 under-23 ECH 2003; 7 WSG 2003; 7 ECP 2005; 3 under-23 ECH 2005; dnq WIC 2006; 6 EIC 2007; dnq WCH 2007; 4 WIC 2008 (2006-dnq); 7 OLY 2008. 1 French 2007 (1 indoor 2004/2007) ... coach-Gérard Baudoin ... 1.85 tall In 2009: 3 Pierre-Bénite; 6 Tomblaine; 5 Sotteville-lès-Rouen; =6 Reims	26y	75d 1983	5.60	5.70 -07
3,	ECKER Danny GER 2007 World bronze ... three successive Olympic finals ... 3 WJC 96; dnq WIC 97; 4 ECH 98; =5 under-23 ECH 99; 5 OLY 2004 (2000-8, 2008-6); 1 EIC 2007 (98-3, 2009-dnq); 3 WCH 2007 (99-4=, 2001-11, 2005-nh final); 1 ECP 2008 (98-4). 1 German 2004 ... son of Heide Rosendahl, 1972 Olympic LJ & 4x100 Champion... coach-Leszek Klima ... 1.92 tall In 2009: 1 German indoor; dnq EIC; 3 Soest; 7 Dessau; nh Baunatal; =5 Bydgoszcz	31y	361d 1977	5.60	5.93 -98
4,	BURGESS Paul AUS ("Budgie") ... former World Junior Champion ... 1998 Commonwealth silver 1 WJC 96 (98-3=); 2 COM 98 (2006-nh); =5 WCP 2002 (98-7); dnq WIC 2003/2004; =11 OLY 2004 (2000/2008-dnq); dnq WCH 2007. 1 World Athletics Final 2006. 1 Australian under-18 96/97; 1 Australian under-20 97/98. 1 Australian 2002/2005/2006. Ex-Gymnast ... born/lives-Perth ... coach-Alex Parnov ... 1.83 tall In 2009: 2 Perth; 3 Melbourne; 1 Western Australia State; 7 Moscow Open; nh Zhukovskiy	29y	337d 1979	5.70	6.00 -05
5,	DOSSEVI Damiel FRA 2005 European under-23 Champion ... dnq EIC 2005; 1 European under-23 2005 (2003-5=); dnq WCH 2005/2007. 1 French under-23 2003. Coach-George Martin (same as Romain Mesnil) ... father from Togo, twin sister Narayane Dossevi is an international long jumper ... 1.82 tall In 2009: 5 Oyonnax; 2 Tremblay-en-France; 1 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 1 European Clubs Cup 'B'; 3 Hérouville; =4 Prague; 1 Pessac; 1 Tomblaine; nh Sotteville-lès-Rouen; 3 Lausanne; 8 Reims	26y	164d 1983	5.70	5.75 -05
6,	OTTO Björn GER 2005 World Student Games Champion ... 1 European indoor Cup 2004; dnq WIC 2004; 1 WSG 2005 (99-8, 2001-7, 2003-3=); 3 EIC 2007 (2000-6, 2005-4); 5 WCH 2007. 1 German indoor 2007 ... hobbies include paragliding, ski-ing and flying remote control model planes ... trains with Tim Lobinger ... his pole snapped at the 2005 ISTAF ... 1.88 tall In 2009: 1 Dessau; 2 Chula Vista; 1 Recklinghausen; 5 Baunatal; 2 Ingolstadt; 4 Biberach; nh Hof; 3 German; =6 Lausanne	31y	274d 1977	5.70	5.90 -07
7,	MILES Derek USA Fourth in 2008 Olympics ... US Champion indoors in 2003 & outdoors in 2008 7 WSG 97; 5 WIC 2003 (2008-8); =6 WCH 2003; nh Pan-Am Games 2007; 4 OLY 2008 (2004-7). Coach-Earl Bell, trains with Jeff Hartwig, Chad Harting & Tye Harvey ... born-Sacramento ... employed as an academic adviser at Arkansas State University ... favourite hobby is paragliding ... lives-Jonesboro, Arkansas ... 1.91 tall In 2009: 1 Drake Relays; 2 Osaka; nh Eugene; 2 US champs; 1 Champaign; 4 Reims	36y	291d 1972	5.75	5.85 -08
8,	STEVENSON Toby USA 2004 Olympic silver ... since 1995, has worn a protective helmet when vaulting 1 Pan-Am Games 2003; dnq WIC 2004; 2 OLY 2004; 1 NCAA 98 (99/2002-2). Born-Odessa, Texas, lives-San Diego ... Economics Graduate from Stanford University ... hospitalised after falling awkwardly in Oslo 2002; suffered collapsed lung and bruised kidney ... father Eddy Stevenson was a pole vaulter in college ... coaches-Tod Henson & Edrick Floréal ... 1.87 tall In 2009: 5 Mt. SAC Relays; 5 Drake Relays; 3 Chula Vista; nh Chula Vista; nh San Diego; 4 San Diego (Jun 5); 2 San Diego (Jun 12); 4 US champs (but he ought to be at the World Championships because one of those ahead of him was defending champion Brad Walker who will have a wildcard for Berlin); =3 Champaign; =9 Reims	32y	239d 1976	5.61	6.00 -04
9,	MOHR Malte GER dnq EIC 2009; 2 ETCh 2009. 1 German under-23 2008. Coach-Leszek Klima ... 1.93 tall In 2009: 3 German indoor; dnq EIC; 1 Stellenbosch; 1 Rechberghausen; 5 Engen; 2 German Univeristies; 1 Soest; 3 Zary; nh Dessau; 2 Baunatal; 9 Bydgoszcz; 2 ETCh; 10 German; 5 Lausanne	22y	358d 1986	5.80	5.80 -09
10,	MESNIL Romain FRA (Pronounced MEY-nil) ... 2007 World silver ... 3x European Cup winner no height ECH qualifying 98; 1 under-23 ECH 99; dnq OLY 2000/2004/2008; 3 WIC 2001 (99-6=, 2003/2004-7, 2006-dnq); dnq ECH 2002; 1 ECP 2003/2004/2006 (2000-5, 2007-2, 2008-nh); =2 ECH 2006; 4 WCP 2006; 2 WCH 2007 (99-nh final, 2001-5, 2003-nh qual.); 7 EIC 2009 *98-8, 2002-10=) 1 French 2000/2001/2002/2008. Was a gymnast between the ages of 7 & 17; gave up because he grew too tall ... born-Plessis-Bouchard ... coach-Georges Martin ... in 2009 he attracted sponsorship by by running naked with his pole through the streets of Paris then posting a film online ... 1.88 tall In 2009: 1 French indoor; 7 EIC; 2 Forbach; 1 Hérouville; 1 Prague; 2 Tomblaine; 1 Sotteville-lès-Rouen; 4 Lausanne; 2 Reims	32y	4d 1977	5.82	5.95 -03

11,

LAVILLENIE Renaud FRA

22y 302d 1986 **6.01**

6.01-09

2009 European Indoor Champion & up from 5.65 to a French record 6.01 outdoors already in 2009

10 under-23 ECH 2007; dnq WIC 2008; 1 EIC 2009; 1 ETCh 2009. 1 French under-23 indoor 2007/2008 ... coach-Damien Innocencio ...
1.76 tall

In 2009: 2 French indoor; 1 EIC; 2 Oyonnax; 1 Algarve; 1 Cognac; 1 Niort; 1 Carquefou; 1 Forbach; 3 Russia Challenge; 1 Aubière; 1 ETCh;
3 Sotteville-lès-Rouen; 2 Lausanne; 1 Reims (2, Mesnil; 3, Hooker)

"I don't have any fear when I'm jumping, the sky is my limit"

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Men's Triple Jump

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best:	17.66 17.69w	Nelson Évora POR Alexis Copello CUB	Bélem Havana	24 May 09 25 Apr 09
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		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	KAPEK Julien FRA 2003 US Collegiate Champion, representing the University of Southern California 7 ECH 2002 (2006-dnq); 2 ECP 2003 (2002-4, 2004-5, 2006-3); dnq WCH 2003/2007; 8 WIC 2004; 10 OLY 2004; 7 WCP 2006. 1 NCAA 2003. 1 French 2003/2006/2007. Father-Senegalese, mother's father-Polish... flown over from the US to compete in the 2002 European Cup for France, where he repaid their faith by leaping 17m for the first time. Born-Clamart ... coach-Jimmy Gabriel In 2009: 2 Rennes; 1 Doha; 3 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 1 Forbach; 3 Turin; 2 Geneva; 7 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 5 Mediterranean Games; 6 Sotteville-lès-Rouen	30y	186d	1979	16.64	17.38 -06
2,	GREGORIO Jadel BRA World Triple Jump silvers indoors & out ... LJ pb: 8.26w, 07, 8.22 -04. 1 South American TJ 2001; 3 WSG TJ 2001; 1 Ibero-American TJ 2002; 4 WCP TJ 2002; 2 WIC TJ 2004/2006 (2003-5); 5 OLY TJ 2004 (2008-6); 1 Pan-Am Games 2007 (2003-2); 2 WCH TJ 2007 (2003-5, 2005-6). 1 Brazilian TJ 2001/2002/2003/2004/2007 (1 LJ 2002) ... 2.00 tall, his inside leg measures one metre ... wife-Samara, their son Jadé born April 17, 2006, daughter Sahara born June 10, 2007 ... has been living & training in Great Britain since October 2005, coached by Peter Stanley (ex-coach of Jonathan Edwards) ... 2.02 tall In 2009: 1 Düsseldorf TJ; 7 Doha TJ; 1 Brazilian TJ; 4 Bilbao TJ; 5 Milan TJ; nm Málaga TJ	28y	303d	1980	16.96	17.90 -07
3,	COMPAORÉ Benjamin FRA 2006 World Junior Champion ... 5 EJC 2005; 1 WJC 2006; dnq EIC 2009. 1 French junior 2005/2006 In 2009: 1 Strasbourg	21y	346d	1987	16.98	17.05 -08
4,	SANDS Leevan BAH 2003 World & 2008 Olympic bronze ... LJ pb: 8.28w -03, 8.13 -05. 1 Central American & Caribbean junior TJ 98/2000; 6 Pan-Am Games TJ 99/2007; 5 WJC TJ 2000 (98-dnq); 3 COM TJ 2002; 1 Central American & Caribbean TJ 2003/2008 (2005-3); 3 WCH TJ 2003 (2005-4, 2007-dnq); 3 OLY TJ 2008 (2004-dnq). 1 NCAA LJ 2003 & TJ 2004. At Auburn University, studying adult education ... served six-month doping suspension in 2006 ... nickname "Skelly" tattooed on left shoulder (because he say he was once skeleton-thin) ... coach-Henry Rolle ... 1.90 tall In 2009: 3 Tempe LJ; 2 Doha TJ; 4 Uberlândia TJ; 7 Belém TJ; 1 Bahamas TJ; 1 Sotteville-lès-Rouen; - Lapua TJ; 4 Lappeenranta LJ	27y	335d	1981	17.14	17.59 -08
5,	TAILLEPIERRE Karl FRA 3x French Champion both indoors & out ... born-Guadeloupe ... 5 ECP 2001; dnq OLY 2004; 5 WCH 2005 (2001-dnq); dnq WIC 2006; dnq ECH 2006; 4 EIC 2009 (2002-8, 2007-dnq); 5 ETCh 2009. 1 French 2001/2004/2005 (1 indoors 2002/2003/2007) ... coach-Jean-Hervé Stievenart ... 1.76 tall In 2009: 2 French indoor; 4 EIC; 1 Franconville; 1 Montgeron; 5 Forbach; 2 Strasbourg; 5 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 5 ETCh; 2 Tomblaine; 3 Sotteville-lès-Rouen	32y	337d	1976	16.78	17.45 -05
6,	ROULHAC Brandon USA US Champion indoors & out in 2009 ... 17.44w -09. 1 NCAA div 2 2005; 1 US indoor/out 2009. Was at Albany State University, Georgia ... 1.93 tall In 2009: 1 US indoor; 1 Florida Relays; 1 Tallahassee (Apr 11); 1 Mt. SAC Relays; 1 Tallahassee (May 9); 1 Georgia Tech Invitational; 1 Florida; 1 US champs	25y	216d	1983	17.26	17.26 -09
7,	BETANZOS Yoandri CUB World silvers as a youth, junior & senior ... 2 World Youth 99; 2 WJC 2000; 1 Pan-Am Games 2003 (2007-3); 2 WCH 2003/2005 (2007-dnq); 3 WIC 2004/2006; 4 OLY 2004; 1 Central American & Caribbean Champs 2005 & Games 2006. 1 Cuban 2002-2006 In 2009: 1 Havana (Feb 13); 2 Havana (Feb 19); 2 Havana (Mar 13); 2 Havana (Apr 25); 3 Fortaleza; 2 Rio de Janeiro; 5 Uberlândia; 3 Belém; 4 Havana (May 30); 10 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 1 Bilbao; 4 Málaga; 3 Central American & Caribbean Champs	27y	152d	1982	17.65	17.65 -07
8,	GIRALT David CUB Fourth at Beijing Olympics despite leaping a personal best 17.52 ... 2009 Central American & Caribbean Champion 2 World Youth 2001; 1 WJC 2002; 1 Pan-Am Junior 2003; 4 WCH 2003 (2005-8, 2007-7); 1 Ibero-American 2004; 2 WIC 2008; 4 OLY 2008 (2004-dnq); 1 Central American & Caribbean Champs 2009. Father (also called David) placed third in the 1979 World Cup long jump with a pb of 8.22 and was the first Cuban to long jump further than eight metres ... coach-Ricardo Ponce (also the coach of Osniel Tosca) In 2009: 3 Havana; 1 Fortaleza; 1 Rio de Janeiro; 1 Uberlândia; 2 Belém; 3 Havana; 3 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 3 Bilbao; 1 Tomblaine; 1 Central American & Caribbean Champs	25y	172d	1984	17.62	17.62 -09
9,	IDOWU Phillips GBR 2008 Olympic silver ... 2008 World Indoor Champion ... 2007 European Indoor Champion ... 2006 Commonwealth Champion 17.75i -08. LJ pb: 7.83 -00. 4 EJC 97; 5 under-23 ECH 99; 5 ECH 2002/2006; 1 COM 2006 (2002-2); 1 EIC 2007 (2005-dnq); 6 WCH 2007 (2001-9); 1 WIC 2008; 1 ECP 2008 (2004-3, 2007-2); 2 OLY 2008 (2000-6, 2004-nm final); 2 ETCh 2009. 1 AAA 2000/2002/2006 (1 indoor 2005) ... he has eight body piercings and a Japanese Akita dog called Angel ... fouled out of 2004 Olympic final after having an initial no-jump in the region of 17.70 ... advised by Aston Moore (formerly John Herbert) ... 1.93 tall In 2009: 1 Haniá (17.60w); 1 Turin (17.60); 2 ETCh; 1 Málaga; 1 UK Champs	30y	199d	1978	17.60	17.68 -02
10,	TAMGHO Teddy FRA 2008 World Junior Champion .. 17.58 indoors in February 2009, further than the French record outdoors LJ pb: 7.72i -08. 4 EJC 2007; 1 WJC 2008; dnq EIC 2009. Coach-Jean-Hervé Stievenart In 2009: 1 Paris indoor (17.58 plus an even longer foul); 1 French indoor (17.44); dnq EIC (15.94); 1 Tremblay-en-France (May 3); 1 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 1 European Clubs Cup 'B'; 4 Montreuil-sous-Bois (Jun 11); 4 Sotteville-lès-Rouen	20y	32d	1989	17.01	17.19 -08
11,	COPELLO Alexis CUB 17.69w -09. 2 Central American & Caribbean Games 2006; dnq OLY 2008; 2 Central American & Caribbean Champs 2009 (2008-3). His older brother Alexander scored 7359 in a decathlon in 2002 ... coach-Sigfredo Banderas (same as 1997 World Champion Yoelbi Quesada) In 2009: 1 Spanish indoor; 1 Havana; 1 Havana; 2 Fortaleza; 4 Rio de Janeiro; 2 Uberlândia; 4 Belém; 1 Havana; 2 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 2 Bilbao; 1 Milan; 2 Central American & Caribbean Champs	23y	339d	1985	17.65	17.65 -09

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1,	PYATNYTSYA Oleksandr UKR He is very near to the Ukrainian record of 81.74 by Sergey Gavras which has stood since 1987 3 under-23 ECH 2007 ... 1.86/84kg In 2009: 1 Ukrainian winter; 1 Kyiv; 2 Kalamáta; 2 Ukraine Cup/Yalta; 5 Warsaw; 3 Lille; 5 Rome	24y	3d	1985	81.26	81.26 -09
2,	RAGS Eriks LAT (Rags pronounced "Rax") ... twice World Student Games Champion ... Latvian record holder 4 under-23 ECH 97; 6 WSG 97; 1 WSG 99/2001 (97-6); 4 ECH 2002 (2006-9); 7 OLY 2004 (2000/2008-dnq); 6 WCH 2005 (97/2003-dnq, 99-10, 2001-8, 2007-11). 1 Latvian 97/99/2000/2001/2002/2003/2006 ... won accuracy throwing contest at 2000 Stockholm Grand Prix ... coach-Maris Griva ... 1.84/95kg In 2009: 2 Doha; 1 Hengelo; 1 Gothenburg; 2 Kuortane; 6 Lille; 7 Rome; 3 Athens	34y	46d	1975	82.23	86.47 -01
3,	FRANK Mark GER 2005 European Cup winner ... 2009 European Team Championships winner 3 under-23 ECH 99; 1 World Military 2002; 1 ECP 2005 (2007-5); 8 WCH 2005; 1 ETCh 2009. 1 German 2009. Two sons Eric (7) & Yannick (5) ... mother-in-law is Anita Weiss (4 OLY 800 1976) ... coach-Ralf Skopnik ... 1.85/90kg In 2009: 1 Rostock; 1 Dessau; 2 International Military Champs; 4 Berlin; 1 ETCh; 1 German; 3 Rome	32y	26d	1977	83.86	84.88 -05
4,	HILL Chris USA 2009 US & twice US Collegiate Champion representing the University of Georgia 2 Pan-American junior 2007. 1 US junior 2007; 1 NCAA 2008/2009; 1 US champs 2009 ... ritual-likes to eat a steak every night before a competition ... based-Athens, GA ... coach-Don Babitt ... 108kg/1.83 tall In 2009: 1 Tempe; 1 Gainesville; 1 Greensboro; 1 NCAA; 1 US champs; 4 Lille; 8 Oslo Bislett Games; 9 Rome	21y	141d	1988	83.87	83.87 -09
5,	WIRKKALA Teemu FIN Former World Youth & European Junior Champion ... 1 World Youth 2001; 7 WJC 2003; 1 EJC 2003; 6 under-23 ECH 2005; dnq ECH 2006; 12 WCH 2007; 5 OLY 2008. Coach-Hannu Kangas (trains with Pitkämäki) ... 1.87/89kg In 2009: 7 Doha; 2 Seinäjoki; 6 Berlin; 2 Pihtipudas; 2 Oslo Bislett Games	25y	184d	1984	84.68	84.68 -09
6,	VASILEVSKIS Vadims LAT 2004 Olympic silver, when he set personal bests in qualifying & final 8 WJC 2000; 7 EJC 2001; dnq ECH 2002; 7 under-23 ECH 2003; 2 World Military 2003; 2 OLY 2004 (2008-9); 4 ECH 2006; 1 WSG 2007; 4 WCH 2007 (2005-dnq) ... coach-Valentina Eiduka ... his second sport is mountain biking ... has two younger sisters (Jana & Dana) who were javelin throwers ... 1.88/102kg In 2009: 4 Doha; 1 Valmiera (90.71, just 2cm below his best); 1 Tartu; 5 Berlin; 5 Oslo Bislett Games; 4 Rome; 1 Athens (88.33)	27y	193d	1982	90.71	90.73 -07
7,	PITKÄMÄKI Tero FIN 2007 World Champion & 2008 Olympic bronze ... dnq WJC 2000; 6 EJC 2001; 3 under-23 ECH 2003; 1 ECP 2006; 2 ECH 2006; 1 WCH 2007 (2005-4); 3 OLY 2008 (2004-8). 1 Finnish 2004/2005/2006/2007 ... ex-cross country skier, he was fifth in the Finnish Championships at age 14 ... coach-Hannu Kangas ... partner is heptathlete Niina Kelo (15 ECH Heptathlon 2006) ... he ran a marathon in 2004 ... 1.95/92kg In 2009: 3 Seinäjoki; 1 Berlin; 1 ETCh 1st League; 1 Pihtipudas; 1 Oslo Bislett Games; 2 Rome	26y	210d	1982	86.78	91.53 -05
8,	THORKILDSEN Andreas NOR In Beijing 2008 became the first Norwegian to retain an Olympic title in athletics 1 European Youth 99; 2 WJC 2000; 2 EJC 2001 (99-7); 4 under-23 ECH 2003; 1 OLY 2004/2008; 2 WCH 2005/2007 (2001-dnq, 2003-11); 1 ECH 2006 (2002-dnq); 1 WCP 2006. 1 Norwegian 2001/2003/2004/2005/2006. He set six Norwegian records in 2005/2006 up to 91.59 ... father-Tomm was a 10.7 100 sprinter, mother-Bente Amundsen was Norwegian 100H champion ... partner-Christina Vukicevic (Norwegian record holder at 100H) ... coach-Åsmund Martinsen ... 1.90/90kg In 2009: 1 Doha; 1 Seinäjoki; 2 Berlin; 2 ETCh 1st League; 3 Oslo Bislett Games; 1 Rome	27y	107d	1982	88.97	91.59 -06