



IAAFNEWS – newsletter

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ATHLETICS FEDERATIONS
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Looking ahead to...World Athletics Gala

On Sunday 23 November 2008, the prestigious annual **World Athletics Gala** will be hosted at the Salle des Etoiles of the Sporting Club d'Été, Monte-Carlo by International Athletic Foundation (IAF) Honorary President HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco and IAF & IAAF President Lamine Diack.

The highlight of the evening will of course be the announcement of the Male and Female **World Athletes of the Year 2008**, with the winning names being announced live on stage. The Gala will also give the global Athletics family the opportunity to honour other outstanding athletic achievements via a number of other awards and honours including the Performance of the Year, Rising Star, Coaches' award...

IAAF HQ headlines –

Athletics in the Jungle

In the heart of the Amazon region of Brazil, Olympic athletes past and present and local IAAF dignitaries enjoyed a special competition held between youngsters from 10 ethnic Indian tribes, known as "Athletics in the Jungle".

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Start of women's 50m in the Amazonian jungle

Other News

IAAF Dinner – Rio, World Half Marathon
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Preparations well underway for World XC Amman 09
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Visit to Moncton – 2010 World Junior Champs
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Pierre Dasriaux passes away
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IAAF signs new TV rights deal for China

Dentsu, the Marketing Agency of the IAAF, has secured an agreement to ensure that the IAAF World Athletic Series competitions will be widely broadcast in China from 2010.

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Help select the 2008 World Athletes of the Year

The IAAF is giving you the unique chance to help select the 2008 World Athlete of the Year. It takes just a few clicks to pick your THREE finalists for the Athlete of the Year (Man and Woman) from the candidates list selected by a panel of IAAF experts.

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NACAC recognises Coach Mills for contribution to Bolt's triumphs

Jamaica's Glenn Mills, who led Usain Bolt to three gold medals and three World records at the 2008 Olympic Games, has been named the NACAC Coach of the Year during the 18th Congress of the NACAC Track and Field Coaches Association, 9-12 October.

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IAAF World Calendar 2009

The world competition calendar (@20 Oct 2008) detailing all IAAF competitions such as the World Athletics Series, Indoor Permit, XC Permit, Outdoor Permit etc... is available in pdf format.

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Monthly focus on...

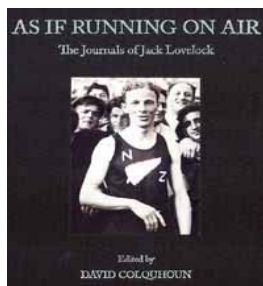
| Medical and Anti-Doping | Development | School & Youth Programme |
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| IAAF Medical & Anti-Doping Commission Meeting READ MORE | RDC Brisbane hosts a successful inaugural CECS Level III Course in Middle and Long Distance READ MORE | IAAF Kids & Youth News - Edition 5, ENGLISH is now on-line in pdf format DOWNLOAD NEWSLETTER |

Isinbayeva and Thorkildsen receive European Awards

The first European Athletics Convention, which attracted a record number of 372 delegates culminated on Sunday 19 October 2008 in Amsterdam's beautiful Koepelkerk, with Yelena Isinbayeva (RUS) and Andreas Thorkildsen (NOR) receiving the trophies as the Waterford Crystal European Athletes of the Year for 2008, while the awards for the European Athletics Rising Stars were presented to Steph Twell (GBR) and Raphael Holzdeppe (GER).

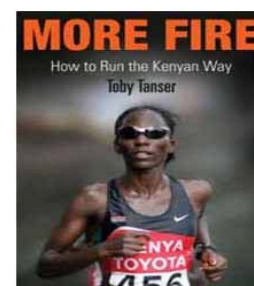
**Slovenia issues stamp to honour Olympic champion**

Olympic Hammer Throw champion Primož Kozmus' victory in Beijing, has been commemorated on a postage stamp – [READ MORE](#)



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For the record...**Athletes Sanctioned for a Doping Offence since the last Newsletter**

According to information received by the IAAF as of 16 October 2008

| SURNAME | NAME | NAT | EVENT | DATE | SANCTION |
|---------|-----------|-----|--|----------|---|
| ANDREEV | Andrian | BUL | Out of competition testing by Bulgarian Athletic Fed | 27/02/08 | Life ban |
| LESOLE | Sekeke | LES | Lesotho Marathon | 08/12/07 | 2 years ineligibility (01/01/08 - 31/12/09) |
| MUTHOKA | Elizabeth | KEN | Kenya Champs | 28/06/08 | 2 years ineligibility (31/07/08 – 30/07/10) |

This list represents the athletes who have been sanctioned for a doping offence by their Federation since the last issue of the IAAF Newsletter. A Public Warning also entails disqualification from the competition in which the positive sample was provided. Dates correspond to the positive doping control test and not the beginning of the ineligibility period.

New Member Federation officers – recent elections / appointments

| Member Federation | President | General Secretary |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| CAY | Rayle Roberts | --- |
| GRE | Vassilios Sevastis (re-elected) | Panagiotis Dimakos |
| JOR | Zeidan Alawin | --- |
| KEN | Isaiah Kiplagat (re-elected) | David Okeyo (re-elected) |
| MAW | Richard Nyirongo | Frank Chitembeya |
| MDV | --- | Ahmed Munthaqim |
| NZL | Murray McKinnon | --- |
| RUS | Valentin Balakhnichev (re-elected) | Mikhail Butov |

Getting to Know the Officials

Murray McKinnon (NZL) – President of Athletics New Zealand (ANZ): *present* – Communications advisor to ANZ; athletics broadcaster and newspaper correspondent; President of Athletics Auckland; Associate Chartered Accountant; *former* – athlete who represented Auckland; Member of LOC and Director of media and publicity of 1988 World XC Champs; Official at 1990 Commonwealth Games; Media liaison for NZ team at 1997, 1999, and 2007 World Champs, and 2006 Commonwealth Games.

World records ratified

Men – Senior

100m

9.69 Usain Bolt JAM, Beijing, CHN, 16 Aug 08

previous: 9.72 Usain Bolt JAM, New York, USA, 31 May 08

200m

19.30 Usain Bolt JAM, Beijing, CHN 20 Aug 08

previous: 19.32 Michael Johnson USA, Atlanta, USA, 1 Aug 96

4x100m Relay

37.10 Jamaica, Beijing, CHN, 22 Aug 08

Nesta Carter, Michael Frater, Usain Bolt, Asafa Powell

previous:

37.40 USA, Barcelona, ESP, 8 Aug 92

Michael Marsh, Leroy Burrell, Dennis Mitchell, Carl Lewis equal

37.40 USA, Stuttgart, GER, 21 Aug 93

Jon Drummond, Andre Cason, Dennis Mitchell, Leroy Burrell

Women – Senior

5000m

14:11.15 Tirunesh Dibaba ETH, Oslo, NOR, 6 Jun 08

previous: 14:16.63 Meseret Defar ETH, Oslo, NOR, 15 Jun 07

3000m Steeplechase

8:58.81 Gulnara Galkina-Samitova RUS, Beijing, CHN, 17 Aug 08

previous: 9:01.59 Gulnara Samitova RUS, Iraklio, GRE, 4 Jul 04

Women – Senior *continued...*

Pole Vault

5.05 Yelena Isinbayeva RUS, Beijing, CHN, 18 Aug 08

previous: 5.04 Yelena Isinbayeva RUS, Monte-Carlo, MON, 29 Jul 08

Men – Junior

800m

1:42.69 Abubaker Kaki (89) SUD, Oslo, NOR, 6 Jun 08

previous: 1:43.64 Japhet Kimutai (78) KEN, Zürich, SUI, 13 Aug 97

Women – Junior

800m

1:54.01 Pamela Jelimo (89) KEN, Zürich, SUI, 29 Aug 08

1:54.87 Pamela Jelimo (89) KEN, Beijing, CHN, 18 Aug 08
previous: 1:54.97 Pamela Jelimo (89) KEN, Paris Saint-Denis, FRA, 18 Jul 08

10,000m

30:26.50 Linet Chepkwemoi Masai (89) KEN, Beijing, CHN, 15 Aug 08

previous: 30:31.55 Huina Xing (84) CHN, Paris Saint-Denis, FRA, 23 Aug 03

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