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# Looking ahead to the Wanda Diamond League

In about two weeks' time, the 2022 <u>Wanda Diamond League</u> will get under way in Doha as the Qatari capital hosts the 13th series of the sport's premier one-day meetings.

Throughout the circuit, which spans five months and takes in 14 cities around the globe, the world's best athletes will battle it out for a place in the Wanda Diamond League Final in Zurich on 7-8 September. Eight of the meetings take place throughout May and June, whetting the apetite for the World Athletics Championships Oregon22.

After the World Championships, there are six more Diamond League meetings, including the two-day final in Zurich where the 2022 Diamond League champions will be crowned.

# **World Athletics headline news**



# <u>Ukraine Fund launches to support</u> athletes affected by conflict

World Athletics, together with the International Athletics Foundation (IAF) and the Members of the Diamond League Association, has launched a Ukraine Fund to support professional athletes affected by the conflict in their home country.

The fund's purpose is to ensure that elite Ukrainian athletes and their key support personnel can continue to train, qualify and participate in World Championship events following Russia's invasion of Ukraine. <u>Full story</u>

#### **Featured news**

#### World Athletics to celebrate Kids' Athletics Day on 7 May



To mark the launch of the new Kids' Athletics programme, World Athletics will be celebrating Kids' Athletics Day on 7 May with organisations around the world.

# World Athletics announces sustainability requirements for all sanctioned events



World Athletics marked Earth Day by announcing that it will embed mandatory sustainability requirements into all the competitions that it owns or sanctions, in an effort to drive down the environmental impact of the sport.

Thompson-Herah named sportswoman of the year at Laureus World Sports Awards

Jamaican sprint star Elaine Thompson-Herah was named sportswoman of the year at the Laureus World Sports Awards during a digital ceremony hosted from Seville.

#### Other news

- World Athletics marks return of Carifta Games with tree-planting campaign in Jamaica
- Kenyan First Lady applauds athletes for championing climate action
- Athletics Kenya continues air quality efforts at Nyayo Stadium
- World Athletics seeks Nationality Review Panel applicants
- <u>Inaugural members appointed to the World Athletics Independent Research</u> Ethics Committee
- World Athletics statement on the Schwazer case

- World Cross Country Championships Bathurst 23 celebrates 300 days to go
- Plaatjes and Mayor Wheeler open MOWA Track & Field Heritage Exhibition Oregon22 in Portland
- Oregon's track and field greats honored through WCH Oregon22 Heritage Trail project
- <u>Boston Marathon's unique running history</u> <u>honoured with Heritage Plaque</u>
- The Penn Relays' unsurpassed history highlighted by Heritage Plaque
- <u>Mayor of Vienna receives Heritage Plaque</u> in Prater Hauptallee

# **Action replay**



Kerley flies to 200m victory in close clash with Norman at Mt SAC



<u>Jepchirchir pips Yeshaneh</u> <u>in brilliant Boston Marathon</u> <u>battle</u>



Qieyang and Stano win 35km race walk debuts in Dudince

# FOR THE RECORD

#### World record watch (as at 28 April 2022)

#### **Pending ratification**

- U20 men's indoor heptathlon: 6062 Jente Hauttekeete (BEL) Frankfurt 14 Feb 21
- U20 women's indoor 60m hurdles: 7.91 Ackera Nugent (JAM) Lubbock 26 Feb 21
- women's 10km: 30:01 Agnes Tirop (KEN) Herzogenaurach 12 Sep 21
- women's 5km: 14:29 Senbere Teferi (ETH) Herzogenaurach 12 Sep 21
- women's 10km: 29:38 Kalkidan Gezahegne (BRN) Geneva 3 Oct 21
- women's half marathon: 1:02:52 Letesenbet Gidey (ETH) Valencia 24 Oct 21
- men's half marathon: 57:31 Jacob Kiplimo (UGA) Lisbon 21 Nov 21
- men's 5km: 12:49 Berihu Aregawi (ETH) Barcelona 31 Dec 21
- women's 5km: 14:19 Ejgayehu Taye (ETH) Barcelona 31 Dec 21
- women's 10km: 29:14 Yalemzerf Yehualaw (ETH) Castellon 27 Feb 22
- men's 50km: 2:40:13 Stephen Mokoka (RSA) Gqeberha 6 Mar 22
- men's pole vault: 6.19m Mondo Duplantis (SWE) Belgrade 7 Mar 22
- women's triple jump: 15.74m Yulimar Rojas (VEN) Belgrade 20 Mar 22
- men's indoor 60m hurdles: 7.29 Grant Holloway (USA) Belgrade 20 Mar 22
- men's pole vault: 6.19m Mondo Duplantis (SWE) Belgrade 20 Mar 22
- women's distance medley relay: 10:33.85 USA / New Balance All Stars (Heather MacLean, Kendall Ellis, Roisin Willis, Elle Purrier St Pierre) Boston 15 Apr 22
- U20 women's 4x100m: 42.48 Jamaica (Serena Cole, Tina Clayton, Brianna Lyston, Tia Clayton) Kingston 17 Apr 22

# Athletes sanctioned for a doping offence

An up-to-date list is available on the **Athletics Integrity Unit website**.

New member federation officers – recent elections / appointments		
Member federation	President	General secretary
MHL	Christopher Makiphie (elected)	Siosiua Nikua (re-elected)
PNG	Tony Green (re-elected)	Philip Rehder (re-elected)
COK	Simone Fe'ao (elected)	Ruth Mave (re-elected)
MLT	Andy Grech (re-elected)	Aldrin Cassar (re-elected)
NRU	Morley Thoma (elected)	Leona Waidabu (elected)

The above information is supplied by the World Athletics governance, member and international relations department and represents member federation election results received since the last World Athletics newsletter.

### **Obituaries**

Renowned coach and sports developer Ron Davis

Former journalist and World Athletics Television Commission chair Alex Gilady

Former World Athletics Council Member Ilkka Kanerva









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