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GÖTZIS FIRST DAY

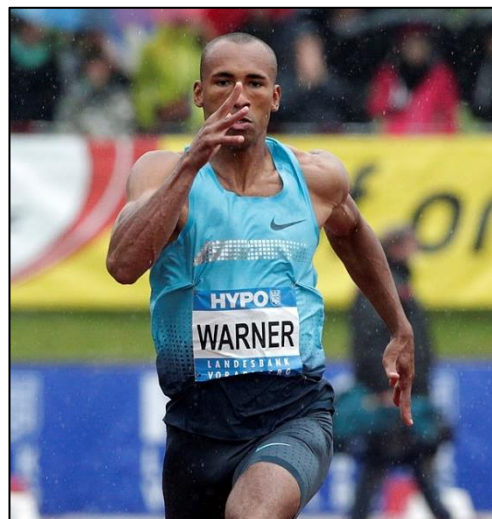
Warner Sharp, Taiwo top effort



Hello Again....from Möslle Stadium in Götzis, Austria for the 42nd Hypo-Bank Decathlon and IAAF Combined Events Challenge. After no-marking in the shot at last year's meet Canadian Damian Warner was sprint sharp and ready to make amends. The IAAF world champs silver medalist from Beijing, he was particularly looking to break his own national mark of 8695. Meet organizers collected a large (35) and quality laden man starting field. During Olympic years Götzis takes on added weight. Four notables: Leonal Suarez/CUB, Hans Van Alohen/BEL, Mathias Brugger/GER and Ingmar Vos/NED withdrew days earlier so 31 went to the starting line.

Six additional Germans were on the start list since this meet is part of the German Olympic Team qualifying procedure. 20 of the 34 starters already had an Olympic qualifying 8100 score as part of their resume.

A pair of Yanks were in the field, both opening their outdoor campaigns. 26 year old Jeremy Taiwo (Seattle, WA), whose 8303 PR was good for 6th in 2015 and 23 year old Garrett Scantling, a senior at Georgia but out of eligibility, were on the startlists. Taiwo, who did not compete indoors, was looking to improve on his 8303 score last years which included the following marks: [10.95+0.8 757 0.0 1395 215 48.29 14.47+0.5 4316 490 4922 4:19.64]. Scantling was in his first senior international. He had dnf'd the 2012 IAAF world juniors. The only other entry with a US affiliation was Pelle Rietveld/NED, 31, who



Canadian Damian Warner used his speed (WR in dec 100m-10.15) to grab the first day lead in Götzis.

placed 6th for Florida State at the '09 NCAA indoor meet.

The weather drove everyone nuts. It rained the morning of day one but the sun appeared at 8:30 am and generally the weather was clear and uneventful.



Americans in Götzis included Jeremy Taiwo (left) of Seattle who was 6th a year ago and Garrett Scantling of Georgia (right).

Warner started the day with a world record 10.15 seconds. And it looked every bit as fast!

Now a review of day one

**42nd Hypo-Bank Meeting
Mosle Stadium
Götzis, Austria
May 28-29, 2016**



100 meters: [11:47 am – 12:20 pm]

All eyes focused on Damian Williams who was sprint sharp having recently run 10.07 (!) although it was aided by a 5.2mps tailwind. After a period of morning sunshine the skies clouded over and wind was negligible. Approximately 4000 were in the grandstand or on the grassy knolls surrounding the track.

There were six sections of the 100m, all seeded from slower to faster. The first race started a few minutes late b/c the women's hurdles ran long. Tailwind picked up perceptively. Rietveld withdrew *before* the 100 meters. Young Tim Nowak/GER won the first race easily in 11.09 (wind +0.7).

Kevin Mayer/FRA captured section #2 in 10.92 (+0.3mps). Peter Braun/NED won the 3rd race in 10.96 (0.0 mps). The 5th section went to Pawel Wiesiolek/POL with a huge PR, 10.83 (+0.3mps).

Section 5 contained both Americans, Taiwo (wearing his new Brooks uniform) in lane #1, Scantling in 5. Defending champ Kai Kazmirek was in lane 3, and local favorite Diminik Distelberger in #4. Kazmirek outleaned Scantling at the tape 10.62 to 10.66, PRs for both (wind +1.1). Taiwo was 5th in a near PR 10.89. Whew. **Section # 5**

Pl	name	nation	lane	reaction	time	points
1.	Kai Kazmirek	GER	3	0.148	10.62	947
2.	G. Scantling	USA	5	0.156	10.66	938
3.	D Distelberger	AUT	4	0.153	10.71	926
4.	Jiri Sykora	CZE	2	0.173	10.86	892
5.	Jeremy Taiwo	USA	1	0.149	10.89	885
6.	Jorge Urena,	ESP	6	0.138	10.93	876

Good sprint conditions and the crowd buzzed on what Warner could do. It did not take long to find out...his reaction time was the day's

fastest (0.129 seconds) and he took control immediately, running tall and smoothly he clocked a WR 10.15 seconds in front of a stunned crowd. It took a few seconds for the time to register with the onlookers who then applauded loudly in appreciation. In all nine equalled or exceeded lifetime best sprint times. And Ashton Eaton's OT record of 10.21 lasted 4 years. Whew.

Section # 6

Pl	name	nation	lane	reaction	time	points
1	Warner, Dam	CAN	4	0.129	10.15	1059
2	Dos Santos, F.	CUB	3	0.154	10.50	975
3.	Garcia, Y	CUB	6	0.134	10.65	940
4.	Freimuth, Rico	GER	5	0.167	10.71	926
5	Lane, John	GBR	1	0.144	10.74	919
6	Abele, Arthur	GER	2	0.141	10.83	899

After One: Warn 1059, dSan 975, Kazm 947, Garc 940, Scan 938,13th..Taiwo 885.

Long Jump: [12:45 – 2:02 pm]

Taiwo was scheduled for Group A (11th on infield) while Scantling jumped 7th in Group B (in front of Tribune). Taiwo's first round effort was anything but smooth yet he covered 7.30m/23-11½. He fouled on the



Taiwo's long jump in Götzis was a solid 7.30m/23-11 ½.

remaining two attempts.

Yet he was one of the lucky ones who got a mark. Several others had step problems even though conditions were not bad...the wind would occasionally shift 90 degrees and many changed their starting points accordingly. There were so many puts and calls the event resembled a day at the NYSE. Two Germans contenders, Arthur Abele and Rico Freimuth never did get a legal mark while. Pawel Wiesiolek/POL waited until round 3 to get a fair jump.

Warner opened with @ a 7.60m leap but was 2 inches over the toe-board in round #1. He dramatically moved his step back and missed the toe-board by 2 inches in round #2 resulting in a 7.12m/23-4½ measured effort. His third attempt was duplication of his first in foot placement and distance. 40% off all long jump efforts in Group A resulted in toe-board oversteps compared to 21% in Group B. The favorite word on the infield was.... FOUL.

The winning jump of Ashely Bryant/GBR was the shortest winning effort here in years (actually 3!).

In Group B Scantling opened with a ragged looking 6.94m/22-9¼ and followed it with a foul and a 6.92m/22-8 ½ effort. Czech Jiri Sykora won the pit at 7.41m/24-3¾

After Two: Warn 1901, dSan 1900, Kazm 1869, Abel 1851....11th Taiwo 1771...14th Scan 1737

Shot Put: [2:32– 3:15 pm]

The sun reappeared and conditions were optimal. The seeded group (A) was in the northwest corner. But the event went dead...no life. Only the pair of Yanks threw well enough as Scantling won the event with a 2nd round toss of 15.62m/51-3. Taiwo scared his PR getting a 14.84m/48-8¼, also in the 2nd round. Both asked the crowd for rhythmic clapping but few other throwers did. They moved into 5th and 6th places overall.

Warner averted the disaster of a year ago (3 shot fouls) by posting a nice 14.64m/48- ½ in the first round, but then did not improve. He remained in the overall lead.

The parade of fouls continued in Group A. German Arthur Abele fouled thrice, twice by overstepping the toe-board. Cuban Yordani Garcia and Frenchman Bastien Auziel also failed to get a mark. Again, 40% (18/41) of all attempts were fouls and few were deliberate taps on the toe-board. What was going on? Conditions were fine!! Go figure. 27 of the original 31 continued.

After Three: Warn 2229, Kazm 2600, dSan 2584, maye2572, Scan 2565, Taiw 2551.

High Jump: [4:05– 6:00 pm]

Both American drew the drew the south pit, (group A) which started at 1.85m/6¾. There has been a distinct drop-off in outdoor (deca) hj results in recent years. For example, there were only two 7 footers in today's field, Kazmirek and Taiwo. When the bar went to 2.09m/6-10¼ they were the lone two remaining in Group A. Jeremy 2nd attempt was well over but he did not have enough depth and clipped it coming down. Down to 3rd attempts Kazmirek was eliminated leaving the door open for Jeremy. No problem for he smoked 2.09m and had center stage. At 2.12m/6-11½ a clearance would move him ahead of Kazmirek and within 6 points of Warner in the overall scoring.

At 2.15m/7-½ he had no issues and the clearances push him to the overall lead by 23 points.

Ah, now it was like to old days.... jumping at real bars. He did not take long bewtten jumps, staying loose and explored the crowd...at 2.18m/7-1¾ his first attempt was close, but oh my, what clearance on the 2nd try... 'Ya Ya Ya' went the crowd which still numbered about 3500.

Now, he *passed 2.21m* asking for 2.24m/7-4¼. Yikes! A chance to put some real distance between himself and the field. Taking only about two minutes between



Warner led going into the high jump, but not coming out.

jumps his 1st was unsuccessful but he was clearly over on the 2nd try but did not have enough depth to get by the bar and into the pit. Boy, was this entertaining....like to old



The crowd of about 3000 watched Taiwo's antics in the high jump.

days of Schenk, Motti and Erickson. He had the music blaring and the crowd roaring and the 3rd try was ever so close. Whew.

Scantling made 1.91m, 1.97m and 2.00m/6-6¾ but did not have a quality attempt at 2.03. In pit B Jonas Fringeli/SUI, Ashley Bryant/GBR and Jiri Skyora/CZE all tied for the win at 2.00m/6-6¾.

After Four: Taiw 3524, Warn 3472, Kazm 3459, Maye 3375, Scan 3368.

400 meters: [6:15 pm – 6:36 pm]

The order of the sections was altered to allow Taiwo his 30 minute rest so he ran in the final (5th) section. In the first race Elmo Savola/Finland won in 49.83. The 2nd race was captured by Fringeli out of lane 2 in 48.87 with a strong stretch run.

Garrett drew the inside lane in the 3rd race. He tried to make up the stagger on everyone, was still 3rd overall at 300m but was running in sand in the last 50 meters and finished 5th

Section 3 [run at 6:26 pm]

Pl	name	nation	lane	reaction	time	points
1	Urena	ESP	6	0.138	49.42	842
2	Bryant	GBR	5	0.219	49.54	836
3	Mayer	FRA	4	0.163	50.07	811
4	Pittomvils	BEL	3	0.139	50.14	808
5	Scantling	USA	2	0.148	50.38	797

Amid the crowd cheers for the local favorite, Dominic Distelberger just held off John Lane/GBR to win the 4th race in 48.47 seconds. The conditions were picture perfect for the final race of the day which, as luck would have it, contained the top three after

four events. Taiwo, who got about 35 minutes rest from the high jump, drew lane 2 with Damian Warner on his outside.

The Canadian and Kai Kazmirek raced stride for stride for the final 200m with the German getting the nod 47-01 to 47.13. It was a terrific duel. Taiwo held off Braun and dos Santos to get 3rd in 49.25, but Warner had grabbed back the overall lead. Where 31 had started, 23 completed day one. Perhaps many had heard tomorrow's weather report which would play a pivotal role in the standings.

Section 5.

Pl	name	nation	lane	reaction	time	points
1.	Kazmirek	GER	4	0.135	47.01	958
2.	Warner	CAN	3	0.145	47.13	952
3.	Taiwo	USA	2	0.153	49.25	849
4.	Braun	NED	5	0.140	49.28	848
5.	Dos Santos	BRA	6	0.189	49.34	845

After Five: Warn 4424, Kazm4417, Taiw4373, Skyo 4211.....8th Scan 4165.

A heckuva first day. One noticeable difference here...all 33 heptathletes finished day one and will start day two. On the men's side, only 23 of 31 will show up tomorrow for the 110m hurdles I don't have an answer for that ??????

RESULTS:



5/30-31 41st Hvpo-Bank Meeting, Mosle Stadium, Götzis, AUT [with PR scores]

4424	Warner, Damian/CAN	8695				
			10.15+1.1	712-0.2	1464	200 47.13
4417	Kazmirek, Kai/GER	8471				
			10.62+1.1	745-0.6	1405	206 47.01
4373	Taiwo, Jeremy/USA	8303				
			10.89+1.1	730+1.0	1484	218 49.25
4211	Sykora, Jiri/CZE	7927				
			10.86+1.1	741+1.6	1419	200 48.97
4186	Mayer, Kevin/FRA	8521				
			10.92+0.3	732-0.2	1522	200 50.07
4178	dos Santos, Felipe/BRA	8019				
			10.50+1.1	746+0.7	1327	194 49.34
4171	Braun, Pieter/NED	8197				
			11.11	0.0 740	0.0	1475 200 49.28
4165	Scantling, Garrett/USA	8232				
			10.66+1.1	694-0.7	1562	200 50.38
4159	Lane, John/GBR	7922				
			10.74+1.1	730+1.0	1348	197 48.59
4149	Distelberger, Dominic/AUT	8168				
			10.71+1.1	725+0.3	1376	194 48.47
4126	Urena, Jorge/ESP	7983				

		10.93+1.1	747+1.6	1271	203	49.42
4125	Samuelsson, Fredrik/SWE	7884				
		10.98	0.0	740-0.3	1402	200
4121	Bryant, Ashley/GBR	8141				
		11.08+1.3	758+0.8	1328	200	49.54
4101	Helcelet, Adam Sebastian/CZE	8252				
		10.96+1.3	721+2.6	1452	200	50.23
4005	Fringeli, Jonas/SUI	7829				
		11.17+0.7	703+1.3	1330	200	48.87
4001	Pittomvils, Niels/BEL	8049				
		11.15+0.3	724+0.3	1340	200	50.14
3997	Wiesiolek, Pawel/POL	8140				
		10.81+1.3	682+0.7	1374	200	50.15
3960	Savola, Elmo/FIN	7743				
		10.83+1.3	692+3.3	1301	197	49.79
3940	Oiglane, Janek/EST	7949				
		11.31+0.7	704-0.7	1412	203	51.27
3933	Pretorius, Fred/RSA	7764				
		10.96	0.0	713-0.9	1288	191
3912	Nowak, Tim/GER	7827				
		11.09+0.7	689-1.9	1407	194	50.29
3761	Brock, David/AUS	7730				
		11.52+0.3	662+2.3	1411	200	51.43
3535	Tsernjavski, Taavi/EST	7744				
		11.46+0.7	613-0.8	1360	185	50.64
3069	Coertzen, Willem/RSA	8398				
		11.07+1.3	712+2.9	1373	185	dnf
dnf	Deuber, Jan/SUI	7206				
		11.04+0.3	691+0.3	1220	188	withdrew
dnf	Auziel, Bastien /FRA	8147				
		11.14	0.0	692-0.5	nm	194
dnf	Garcia, Yordani/CUB	8496				
		10.65+1.1	658+2.1	nm	withdrew	
dnf	Abele, Arthur/GER	8477				
		10.83+1.1	757+1.0	nm	withdrew	
dnf	Freimuth, Rico/GER	8561				
		10.71+1.1	nm	nm	withdrew	
dnf	Knobel, Jan Felix/GER	8288				
		11.23	0.0	nm	1489	withdrew

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