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EATON IS USA and IAAF AOY Chico One Hour, Indoors Next

Hello Again..... In recent days American decathlete Ashto Eaton/Oregon elite TC has been honored as 2015 Athlete of the Year by the USATF (Jesse Owens Award) and by the IAAF. The awards represented a clean sweep of major awards for his August world decathlon record at the IAAF World Championships in Beijing.

The Jesse Owens Award came from Indianapolis first, on Nov. 19, when USATF announced that Eaton (hometown: Bend, OR; residence: Eugene, OR) will be honored on December 5th at the USATF annual meeting in at the Hyatt Regency in Houston, Texas.

“First thing I thought of was the actual Jesse Owens Award and how much better care I’m going to take with this one,” Eaton laughed. “In 2012, 30 seconds after I got the award, I dropped it on the ground and broke it in half. I had to get USATF to make a new one. “I’m thankful for the award and it’s a great honor,” Eaton continued. “I like the fact that Jesse Owens’ name is tied to it because we owe him so much for the sport. I think it’s also an honor to receive it on that behalf as well.”

Eaton, after taking 2013 off from the decathlon wars to pursue the long hurdles, improved his world decathlon record in the in Beijing by scoring 9,045 points to top the field by more than 300 points. In the process, he set a decathlon meet record of 10.23 seconds in the 100 meters, and broke Bill Toomey’s 47-year-old world decathlon record with a time of 45.00 in the 400 meters.



Decathlete Ashton Eaton was honored by both the USATF and IAAF as their male Athlete of the Year.

Eaton’s WR attempt will be remembered at the finish of the 1500m for his gutty last 100m sprint. He was one second to the good earning his 2nd world title and 2nd world record, 9045 points. He dominated the high quality field, winning by more than 300 points, a huge margin by world standards.

The 2015 Jesse Owens Award award winner was selected in balloting of members of the U.S. track and field media, and a fan vote was held on social media that comprised 10% of the total vote. More than 6,000 fan votes were received.

About Jesse Owens Award: Established in 1981, the Jesse Owens Award is USA Track & Field's highest accolade, presented annually to the outstanding U.S. male track and field performer. The award is named after National

Track & Field Hall of Famer and worldwide icon Jesse Owens, who won gold medals in the 100m, 200m, 4x100m relay and long jump at the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin, Germany, while conducting himself with grace and dignity. With his remarkable performances, Owens forever destroyed Adolf Hitler's notions of Aryan supremacy.

And then, on Thanksgiving Day, came the news from Monaco, that Eaton had also won the IAAF AOY distinction. He was up for IAAF World Athlete of the Year against compatriot Christian Taylor and three-time 2015 Beijing gold medalist Usain Bolt.

"I thought that my competition for the award was stiff," Eaton noted. "I know I broke the world record but I competed in one decathlon this year. Christian (Taylor) is one of my good buddies and he had such a great year. To come out ahead over him, I don't know if you can call that a victory if you finish ahead of Christian Taylor. I suppose you win anyway."

Eaton, who is also a finalist for the USOC's Olympic Male Athlete of the Year, was

"While I'm honored that I am considered the 'artist' of the year, I did not beat Usain and Christian; my work simply differed in design. They are some of the most talented and beautiful performers of all time. I'm flattered to be among them."

As a reminder, here are Eaton's Beijing marks:

8/28-29 IAAF World Champs, Beijing, CHN

100m	10.23	-0.4
Long Jump	7.88m/25-10 ¼	0.0
Shot Put	14.52m/ 47-7¾	
High Jump	2.01m/6-7	
400m	45.00	
110m H	13.69	-0.2
Discus	43.34m/142-2	
Pole Vault	5.20m/17-¾	
Javelin	63.63m/208-9	
1500m:	4:17.52	
Score	9045 points	WR

[and there is a lot more there !!]

9th Chico One Hour Decathlon



The 9th annual Chico State U One Hour dec came off on Nov. 19th with impressive results. 5 surpassed 6000, and the results were made up by many who won the 2015 collegiate Webb Cup.

Chico State senior Phillip Bailey, a 7251 '15 performer, won the CSU one hour dec with a significant 6683 score.

11/19 9th One Hour decathlon, Chico St U, Chico, CA

6683	Bailey, Phillip/Yucaipa	10.9 725 1095 188 58.3 14.2 3588 425 4795 5:05.7
6520	Brunk, John/Oakdale Mustangs	11.0 679 1071 195 57.4 15.5 3491 427 4777 4:54.2
6426	Martin, Aaron/Carson	11.2 666 1157 188 61.1 14.7 3374 415 5662 4:56.3
6226	Dunn, Jason/River City	10.7 669 1194 178 61.2 16.3 4094 365 5445 5:03.4
6062	Andrews, Lane/CenterHS	11.2 660 1002 183 59.8 15.5 3326 427 4493 5:05.7
	5802 Pater, Scott/Mt Carmel, 5596 Yakoushkin, Dmitry/11th ev, 5307 Mitchell, Jake/Castro Valley. I8s,8f	

2015-16 Indoor Campaign Next

The new indoor season kicks off with nearly a dozen indoor heptathlons in December, 2015, starting with the Liberty U. Kickoff on Dec 3-4. Currently the plan is to offer a *Deca Newsletter* at least once each week during the indoor season and to post all results with details ↑4900 points on our *Results Page* which will be updated weekly.