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Clay Posts Big 1st Day IAAF Lead

Hello Again....this is a continuation of our coverage of the IAAF world champs in Valencia where, thru day one, Bryan Clay had built up a substantial lead.

Shot Put: (5:00 pm)

Alexandr Pogorelov/RUS withdrew. After a 4 hour break the multi-eventers were back at it and Bryan Clay, throwing 3rd in the order popped a 16.12m/52-10³/₄. Hello! He led through



Bryan Clay pushed 16.21m/ 53-2¹/₄ to win his third consecutive event.

round #1 and managed 15.78m/51-9¹/₄ and still led thru the 2nd round. His near PR 16.21m/53-2 effort. He managed to top Karpov (by 2cm) and Sebrle (by 53m) so no one made up ground. Only Andrei Krauchanka posted a PR, a marginal 14.29m/46-10³/₄.

This score was getting interesting. Bryan's series *averaged* 52-7! Kilmartin

had a pair of puts over 14 meters (best 14.09m/46-2³/₄).

After Three: Clay 2849, Sebr 2647, Rajo 2596, Karp 2564, Krau 2529, Kilm 2509, Logv 2487.

High Jump: (7:20 pm)

With only 7 jumpers the event moved smartly. Clay's crucial moment came when he needed 3 attempts to manage 2.03m/6-8 an height also managed by Donovan Kilmartin. Bryan went on to make both 2.06m/6-9 (where Karpov topped out) and 2.09m/6-10-¹/₄, equal to his outdoor PR and one cm off a lifetime best. I can not attest to the crowd reaction to Bryan's final clearance in Valencia, but a cheer went up in Chapel Hill when the effort was announced I real time during the USA nationals shot put.

Roman Sebrle and Andrei Krauchanka (note: the IAAF continues to use this spelling) then held center stage with the former getting 2.12m/6-11¹/₂, his best indoor mark in 9 years, and the latter winning the contest at 2.15m/7-¹/₂ to move to 3rd overall.

At the break Clay's lead stood at a whopping 174 points.

After Four: Clay 3736, Sebr 3652, Krau 3473, Karp 3423, Raja 3372, Kilm 3340, Logv 3290.



RESULTS THRU DAY ONE:

3736	Clay, Bryan/USA	6.71	775	1621
209				
3652	Sebrle, Roman/CZE	7.16	760	1616
212				
3473	Krauchanka, Andrei/BLR	7.19	763	1429
215				
3423	Karpov, Dmitry/KAZ	7.20	731	1619
206				
3372	Raja, Andreas/EST	6.95	742	1486
197				
3340	Kilmartin, Donovan/USA	7.02	736	1409
203				
3290	Logvinenko, Mikhail/RUS	7.03	735	1382
200				
dnf	Pogorelov, /RUS	7.06	748	