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INDOOR QUALIFYING STANDARDS

2013 Rankings, 1st January Week Reviewed

Hello Again....The years initial newsletter (this is our 39th year!!!) offers an abbreviated review of the major indoor qualifying standards and the recently released *Track and Field News* 2013 World and USA decathlon rankings. No surprise for the latter as IAAF world and USA national champ Ashton Eaton led both lists. And the first week of the new year is reviewed.

2013 RANKINGS:

World

1	Ashton Eaton	USA	8807
2	Michael Schrader	GER	8670
3	Damian Warner	CAN	8512
4	Kevin Mayer	FRA	8446
5	Eelco Sintnocolaas	NED	8391
6	Carlos Chinin	BRA	8393
7	Rico Freimuth	GER	8488
8	Ilya Shkureniov	RUS	8370
9	Willem Coertzen	RSA	8343
10	Pascal Behrenbruch	GER	8514

USA

1	Ashton Eaton	OreTC-e/Nike	8807
2	Gunnar Nixon	unat	8312
3	Jeremy Taiwo	Washington	8239
4	Gray Horn	unat	7918
5	Wesley Bray	unat	7718
6	Curtis Beach	Duke	8011
7	Isaac Murphy	Texas	8086
8	Kevin Lazas	Arkansas	7933
9	Austin Bahner	Wichita St	7847
10	Dan Gooris	Northern Iowa	7804



Ashton Eaton repeated as the world's top ranked decathlete with wins at the USA nationals and the IAAF World champs in Moscow.

INDOOR Qualifying standards

USA (Albuquerque, 2/21-22)

Qualifying window- Jan 1, 2013- Feb ,2014

Decathlon 7700

i Heptathlon 5450

i Pentathlon 3850

[In 2013 there were 11 starters]

NCAA I (Albuquerque, 3/14-15) Top 16

[In 2013 this cutoff was 5607 pts adjusted score]

NCAA II (Winston-Salem, 3/14-15) Top 13

Auto 5250, provisional 4600

[In 2013 this cutoff was 5063 pts adjusted score]

NCAA III (Lincoln, NE, 3/14-15) Top 13

[In 2013 this cutoff was 4770 pts adjusted score]

NAIA (Geneva, OH, 3/6-7) Top 16

A & B = 3750

[In 2013 this cutoff was 4402 pts]

IAAF WC (Sopot, POL, 3/7-8)

For the Combined Events, eight athletes will be invited by the IAAF in the Heptathlon and in the Pentathlon as follows:

- the winner of the 2013 Combined Events Challenge [Andrei Krauchanka/BLR]
- the three best athletes from the 2013 Outdoor Lists (as at 31 December 2013), limited to a maximum of one per country [Ashton Eaton/USA, 8807, Michael Schrader/GER 8670, Damian Warner/CAN 8512.....note: Pascal Behrenbruch /GER 8514 does NOT get auto invite on one-per- nation rule]
- the three best athletes from the 2014 Indoor Lists (as at 17 February 2014)
- one athlete which may be invited at the discretion of the IAAF [leading candidates as this point would appear to be:
Trey Hardee/USA, 2x IAAF world outdoor champ
Kevin Mayer/FRA, 4th in Moscow
Eelco Sintnicolaas/NED, '13 Euro indoor champ
Pascal Behrenbruch/GER, 3rd on '13 outdoor list
But, frankly, this is all speculation.

7 event total (with normal 60m) would put the '12 NCAA II indoor champ over 5500 points.

BYU senior Chase Dalton outlasted Utah Valley's Micahel McPherson to win the BYU Cougar Invt, 5489 to 5432 as host favorite Josh Weirich vault nh'd.

Siena Heights U (MI) senior Calvin Sullins nailed the season's top NAIA score (5189 points) by winning the Eubanks affair at Grand Valley State.

13 meets are scheduled for the upcoming week.

Early 2104 Season



BYU senior Chase Dalton (left) and Montana State senior Jeff Mohl (right) won early season heptathlons with USA national indoor qualifying scores.

The 2014 combined events began in Bozeman, Montana on January 6-7 with the Cats/Griz dual meet at Montana State. State's Jeff Mohl put up a fine 5450 effort and defeated Montana's Austin Emry who vault 'nh'd.' Mohl, 22, Red Lodge, MT, has a season of outdoor eligibility. PR's of 7620 dec and 5725 hept dot his resume.

The early week's most impressive CE toatl was posted by hard working Nick Lebron, Newington, CT, a junior at Southern Connecticut who won the Dartmouth Relays pentathlon with 3975 points. He came back and vaulted (4.45m/14-3½) and a guestimate