



# EVENING SESSION, DAY ONE

## Ash-Trey Light Up Day One

**Hello Again...** This newsletter is the 2nd of four scheduled to cover the 23<sup>rd</sup> Olympic decathlon from London. It covers the evening (high jump and 400m) session of day one where Ashton Eatopn kept the pressure on, Trey Hardee put up more solid marks and 3 others (Leonel Suarez/CUB, Eelco Sintinicolaas/NED, Hans van Alphen/BEL) began to separate themselves from the rest of the 29 man field in search of a medal.

At the end of day one Eaton had run up a guady 4661 point score, just 67 behind his WR pace set in Eugene in June.



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### Day One:

**High Jump:** [6:01 – 8:01 pm]

In group B Damian Warner held center stage and got the victory at 2.05m/6-8¾. Trey Hardee managed 1.93m/6-4 and 1.99m/6-6¼ easily but could go no higher. The major story was Sergey Sviridov whose clearances at 1.96m/6-5 and 1.99m/6-6¼ were both career bests and he was looking more and more like a medal hopeful. Sintinicolaas (1.93m/6-4) and Rico Freimuth (1.90m/6-2¾) were off their game as was Jangy Addy (1.93m/6-4).

In Group A Leonel Suarez/CUB captured the pit at 2.11m/6-11 to move to 7th. Eaton was one of six to get over 2.05m/6-8¾. Van Alphen (to move to 3<sup>rd</sup> overall), Barroilhet, Mayer, NCAA king Kurt Felix and Willem Coertzen/RSA were the others.



**Ashton Eaton holds the first day Olympic decathlon lead with 4661 points. He holds a 220 digit lead on teammate Trey Hardee.**

Group A:	193	196	199	202	205	208	
Eaton	o	o	o	o	o	xxx	
Group B:	193	196	199	202			
Hardee	o	p	o	xxx			

*After Four: Eato 3698, Hard 3537, vAlp 3489, Warn 3487*

**400 meters:** [9:30 – 9:56 pm]

Most of the aythletes had a 2 hour break, another anomaly in the schedule. When competition resumed at 9:30 pm only 6 appeared for the first race and Jangy Addy, who had truncated season and no 400m clocking, was stuffed into the first race with the slowest runners. Predictably he led from the gun and blew away the field (48.66) negating the intention of seeding races. Go figure.

Section 1: [9:30 pm] [set-to-gun: 1.43]

pl	lane	sb	pr	reaction	time	pts
1	8	Addy, Jangy/LBR	[ /47.50]	0.216	48.64	878
2	6	Shkurenev, Iila/RUS	[49.92/49.84]	0.156	49.81	823
3	3	Erins, Edgar/LAT	[ /47.86]	0.179	50.62	786
4	7	Ushiro, Keisuke/JPN	[50.58/50.28]	0.190	50.78	779
5	2	Szabo, Attila/HUN	[49.83/49.79]	0.181	50.83	777

6 Artikov, Rifat/UZB [50.92/49.60] 0.206 51.91 729  
 --Sebrle, Roman/CZE [49.87/47.76] dns

The second race saw a false start (the meet's 1<sup>st</sup>) by Pascall Behrenbruch who then sprinted away from the field at the 2<sup>nd</sup> gun and ran out of gas at 250 meters. 6 runners flew by him. Karpov caught him but he too died at 300m and Brazilian Luiz Alberto de Araujo rushed past (and not Kurt Felix who was identified as the winner by announcers) to set a PR 48.26.

Section 2: [9:38 pm] [set to gun: 1.71 and 1.34]

pl	lane	sb	pr	reaction	time	pts
1	7	de Araujo, Luiz Alberto/BRA	[48.48/48.48]	0.214	48.25	897
2	4	Coertzen, Willem/RSA	[48.90/48.63]	0.229	48.56	882
3	3	Mayer, Kevin/FRA	[48.75/48.66]	0.157	48.76	873
4	6	Karpov, Dmitriy/KAZ	[48.86/46.81]	0.158	48.93	822
5	5	Knobel, Jan Felix/GER	[48.89/48.89]	0.200	49.87	821
6	9	Behrenbruch, Pascal/GER	[48.54/48.48]fs	0.160	50.04	813
7	2	Draudvila, Darius/LTU	[48.78/48.43]	0.174	50.13	809
8	8	Felix, Kurt/GRN	[48.63/48.63]	0.244	50.17	807

Trey Hardee never trailed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> race. "I wanted to break 48," he said immediately after the race and noted he was a bit dinged up, "but that's the decathlon. We're fine." Most importantly, Suarez faded badly in the final 100m while Hardee ran strongly, winning in 48.11 nearly a second ahead of the Cuban. Unnoticed was the relative fast clocking by van Alphen.

Section 3: [9:46 pm] [set-to-gun: 1.55]

pl	lane	sb	pr	reaction	time	pts
1	7	Hardee, Trey/USA	[49.07/47.51]	0.168	48.11	904
2	3	Mikhan, Eduard/BLR	[48.99/48.02]	0.190	48.42	889
3	4	Garcia, Yordani/CUB	[49.30/48.34]	0.184	48.76	873
4	2	Suarez, Leonel/CUB	[49.33/47.65]	0.168	49.04	859
5	6	van Alphen, Hans/BEL	[49.54/48.25]	0.172	49.17	853
6	9	Vos, Ingmar/NED	[49.50/49.21]	0.217	49.62	832
7	5	Newdick, Brent/NZL	[49.22/49.20]	0.146	50.22	804
8	8	Barroilhet, Gonzalo/CHI	[49.82/49.82]	0.273	51.07	766

Eaton needed a 46.13 clocking to surpass 4700 points yet his major 400m competitor, Dan Awde/GBR –a 46.04 runner-- had withdrawn earlier. Ashton led early, then backed off on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 100m before racing to the finish in 46.91 seconds, a disappointment for he was looking for a clocking about one second faster. He obviously had much to much in the final 100. Nonetheless, his 4661 score was now 220 points in front of Hardee and just

16 off Daley Thompson's '84 meet record. Warner opened some eyes and ended a fine first day with a PR 48.20 seconds clocking in 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.

Section 4: [9:54 pm] [set-to-gun: 1.43]

pl	lane	sb	pr	reaction	time	pts
1	7	Eaton, Ashton/USA	[45.68/45.68]	0.179	46.90	963
2	2	Freimuth, Rico/GER	[47.51/47.51]	0.152	48.06	906
3	3	Warner, Damian/CAN	[48.39/48.39]	0.169	48.20	899
4	6	Kasyanov, Oleksiy/UKR	[48.07/47.46]	0.143	48.44	888
5	8	Sintincolaas, Eelco/NED	[48.02/47.88]	0.203	48.85	868
6	5	Sviridov, Sergey/RUS	[48.28/48.28]	0.179	48.91	866
dns	9	Dudas, Mihail/SRB	[48.02/47.47]		dns	
dns	4	Awde, Daniel/GBR	[47.14/46.04]		dns	

*After Five: Eato 4661, Hard 4441, Warn 4386, Kasy 4346*

## Results:

### 8/8-9 23<sup>rd</sup> Olympic Games Decathlon, London, GBR

4661	Eaton, Ashton/USA-OreTC	10.35+0.4	803+0.8	1466	205	46.90
4441	Hardee, Trey/USA-Nike	10.42+0.4	753+1.1	1528	199	48.11
4386	Warner, Damian/CAN	10.48+0.4	754+0.9	1373	205	48.20
4346	Kasyanov, Oleksiy/UKR	10.56+0.4	755-0.4	1445	199	48.44
4342	Van Alphen, Hans/BEL	11.05-0.7	764+1.5	1548	205	49.18
4265	Suarez, Leonel/CUB	11.27+0.7	752+0.5	1450	211	49.04
4246	Sviridoiv, Sergey/RUS	10.78-0.7	745-2.1	1442	199	48.91
4241	Karpov, Dmitriy/KAZ	10.91-0.2	721-0.2	1647	199	49.83
4206	Freimuth, Rico/GER	10.65+0.4	721-0.1	1487	190	48.06
4144	Sintincolaas, Eelco/NED	10.85+0.4	737+1.3	1418	193	48.85
4142	Felix, Kurt/GRN	11.12-0.2	763+0.5	1328	205	50.17
4142	Coertzen, Willem/RSA	11.09+0.7	717+0.7	1379	205	48.56
4121	Mikhan, Eduard/BLR	10.74+0.4	694-0.1	1475	193	48.42
4117	de Araujo, Luiz Alberto/BRA	10.70+0.4	716+1.2	1352	193	48.25
4108	Behrenbruch, Pascal/GER	11.06-0.7	715+0.4	1567	196	50.04
4104	Newdick, Brent/NZL	11.10-0.2	736+1.1	1509	196	50.22
4099	Mayer, Kevin/FRA	11.32-0.2	717+1.5	1405	205	48.66
4090	Draudvila, Darius/LTU	10.95-0.7	712+1.3	1517	196	50.13
4086	Garcia, Yordani/CUB	10.80-0.7	675-0.2	1448	199	48.76
4081	Addy, Jangy/LBR					

	10.89-0.7	690+0.7	1487	193	48.64
4056	Vos, Ingmar/NED				
	10.98-0.7	727+0.5	1357	196	49.62
4038	Shkurennev, Ilya/RUS				
	11.01-0.2	725+1.1	1289	202	49.81
3962	Barroilhet, Gonzalo/CHI				
	11.18-0.2	680+0.3	1449	205	51.07
3938	Knobel, Jan-Felix/GER				
	11.42-0.2	705-0.5	1529	190	49.87
3893	Erins, Edgar/LAT				
	10.99-0.7	698+0.6	1345	193	50.62
3848	Ushiro, Keisuke/JPN				
	11.32+0.7	686+1.1	1359	199	50.78
3846	Szabo, Attila/HUN				
	11.15-0.2	696+0.9	1393	190	50.83
3661	Artikov, Rifat/UZB				
	11.37+0.7	641+1.6	1411	193	51.91
dnf	Dudas, Mihail/SRB				
	10.90-0.7	753+1.0	1376	196	withdrew
dnf	Sebrle, Roman/CZE	11.54+0.7	withdrew		
dnf	Awde, Daniel/GBR	10.71-0.7	683+1.1	withdrew	
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**Trey Hardee's 4441 score is 46 better than his 1<sup>st</sup> day total at the US Olympic Trials (8383) and 67 down on his PR 8790 score at the '09 Worlds in Berlin.**

*Day Two is scheduled to start at 9:00 am, 4 am on the East Coast. Yikes!*