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## GÖTZIS FIRST DAY

### An Injured Ashton Eaton Withdraws



**Hello Again...**At 9:40 am on Saturday the most dissappointing news came from the USA camp....Olympic champ Ashton Eaton withdrew....a back injury incurred on a Wednesday shot put trial caused him a great deal of pain and he and coach Harry Marra decided not to chance it.

Ashton took the microphone at 10:30 and explained to the hushed crowd that a last minute injury prevented him from competing. As the stunned crowd listened Ash continued ...."I love this place and I am as dissappointed as you are, but please don't make this competition about me, but make it about all of the great athletes here."The disapointment was palpable in the stadium which already had several thousand in their seats. To add insult to the injury....the sun had just emerged eliminating all of the fear of rain.and it appeared that conditions would be ideal. Light breezes (@ 4mph) came from the WNW, almost directly behind the sprinters.

Organizers were understanding...one just can't fight an injury....yet one can't help but feel that the air was let out of the balloon. Perhaps this would be an opportunity for others to come to the fore.

And so, the first day at the 41st Götzis..... saw several big disappointments including a 3 foul/no mark performance from the prohibitive favorite (after Eaton's withdrawal) Damian Warner /CAN. The day also witnessed a fine 5 event effort from 25 year old Jeremy Taiwo who stands in 2nd

place (4388) 21 down on german Kai Kazmirek



Yank Jeremy Taiwo rushed to a 2nd place finish at the Hypo-Bank's first day scoring 4388, 21 off the overall lead.

**41st Hypo-Bank Meeting**  
**Mosle Stadium**  
**Götzis, Austria**  
**May 30-31, 2015**



**100 meters:** [11:42 am – 12:09 pm]

At 11:40 the skies were overcast but the sun peeked through. The air temp hovered in the low 70s- range. The 28 competitors (subtract Eaton and 2013 NCAA champ Kurt Felix/Grenada-Boise State, a late retraction from the 30 man field) were grouped into 5 seeded races, slowest to fastest. A quick count at race time resulted in a crowd of @3,500 spectators. Seat in the grandstand had been sold out for weeks.

The initial race went to Vet Dutchman Ingmar Vos, who now trains in Austin with

Trey Hardee, in 10.94. Come-backing Hans Van Alphen, the 2012 winner, was 4th in 11.27. Virtually no wind (-0.1mps).

Race two saw another Dutchman, Pieter Braun, win (from lane 1) easily in 10.97 seconds. Most eyes were on tall Keisuke Ushiro, Japan's first entry here in 20 years. He was 6th in 11.27. Wind +0.5. In the third sprint Multi-Stars winner Pawel Wiesiolek/POL out-leaned Willem Coertzen/RSA, 10.97 to 10.99 (wind:+0.3) after the events only false start.

Of interest in the fourth race was Jeremy Taiwo who drew lane two. To his right was world champ silver medalist Michael Schraeder/GER and to his left world junior champ Jiri Sykora/CZE

BelaRussian Eduard Mikhan outleaned German Michael Schrader, 10.66 to 10.68. Wind+0.8. Taiwo was 4th in a nifty 10.95 seconds, his fastest since the 2013



The 100m meter view from a different perspective.

NCAAs, a solid start. German Kai Kazmirek was 3rd.

<i>Pl</i>	<i>name</i>	<i>nation</i>	<i>lane</i>	<i>reaction</i>	<i>time</i>	<i>points</i>
1.	Mikhan	BLR	5	0.157	10.66	938
2.	Schrader	GER	3	0.155	10.68	933
3.	Kazmirek	GER	4	0.161	10.78	910
4.	Taiwo	USA	2	0.182	10.95	872
5.	Cairol	ITA	6	0.173	11.05	850
6.	Sykora	CZE	1	0.172	11.06	847

The last and seeded section w/o belonged to Damian Warner who was clear of all but Rico Freimuth by 50 meters. He steadily pulled away to win in a fine 10.37 with the German back at 10.53. Frankly, the

race was anticlimactic given the crowds expectations.

<i>Pl</i>	<i>name</i>	<i>nation</i>	<i>lane</i>	<i>reaction</i>	<i>time</i>	<i>points</i>
1.	Warner	CAN	4	0.150	10.37	1006
2.	Freimuth	GER	5	0.150	10.53	968
3.	Sintincolaas	NED	1	0.171	10.75	917
4.	Garcia	CUB	2	0.143	10.77	912
5.	Lane	GBR	6	0.138	10.79	908

(wind: -0.1). The set-to-gun (my hand clockings) read: 0.89, 1.08, 0.94, 1.07, 0.93 and 1.19.

After One: Warn 1006, Frei 968, Mikh 938, Schr 933 .....10th Taiwo 872.

**Long Jump:** [12:46 – 1:52 pm]

Jumping first on the infield pit Taiwo led of with a PR 7.57m/24-10 and duplicated it in round #2. His marginal foul (1cm) in round three negated a 7.62m/25-0 leap. Regardless, the 25 year old from Ballard, WA was on a nice roll.



Germany's Michael Schrader averted a disaster in the long jump and won the event at 7.66m/25-1¾.

Conditions were outstanding "Don't remind me" quipped Ashton Eaton from the infield as he watched his better half PR at 1.89m/6-2¼ in the high jump.

In round #1 Damian Warner led Eelco Sintinicolass 7.63m/25-½ to 7.62m/25-0. Warner is one of the best at simply running off the board. Then order did not change in round #. There was high drama in Group A as Michael Schrader, the WC silver medalist, foot-faulted twice and seemed to be limping before his ultimate attempt. Yet he managed a winning 7.66m/25-1¾ in round 3 as the 66 minute event ended.

Jumping in concurrent Group B (closest to the grandstand/tribune)Pole Pawel Wiesiolek made believers of the crowd winning at 7.61m/24-11 ¾, Braun was 2nd at 7.53m/24-8½.

After Two: Warn 1973, Frei 1913, Schr 1908, Sint 188.....Taiw 8th 1826,

**Shot Put:** [2:29 – 3:01 pm]

The athletes moved to the infield's NW corner of Mosle Stadium. Taiwo drew Group B and the competition (A&B) was run-off concurrently.

In Group B Taiwo's series of 13.95m/45-9½, a very high 13.75m and foul in the neighborhood of 13.40m.

Youngsters Skyora (14.95m/49-¾) and Wiesiolek (14.55m/47-9) continued to impress. Jeremy's toss kept him in 8th overall.



Canadian Damian Warner was not happy with his shot put performance which resulted in a trio of fouls. He decided to stay the course and both high jumped well and won the 400 meters in a career best.

In Group A France's Bastien Auzeil was a winner at 15.90m/52-2 but the story here was Damian Warner who possessed a pair of fouls and, at 2:51 pm moved to the NW circle for his third attempt. The shot landed *on top* of the 14m indicator board, one fount outside the fair landing area. A potentially fine score evaporated. A few minutes later he said "I'll stay and high jump and run the 400 meters and then we'll see). But the snafu scrambled the standings and all of a sudden there appeared just 4 potential winners (a trio of Germans and Sintinicolaas). But wait, not one was counting on Jeremy Taiwo.

After Three: Frei 1732, Schr 2655, Sint 2651, Wies 2591....8th Taiw 2549.

**High Jump:** [3:50 – 5:28 (B)/5:43(A) pm]

Normally many spectators move from the Grandstand and surround the SE corner of

the track to watch the high jump "up close and personal." The crowd still numbered over 4000 at this point but some heavy dark clouds rolled in.

For over an hour they rhythmically clapped each attempt, especially for the jumpers in Group A which included Jeremy who used this opportunity to move up in the standings. He opened at 2.00m/6-6¾ and passed 2.03m/6-8. By the time the bar went to 2.06m/6-10¼ there were but six remaining. Yet the high jump was repeatedly stopped while the hept 200m was readied. Rounds 2 and 3 at 2.06 were inordinately slow. Only Kai Kazmirek/GER joined Jeremy clearing 2.09m/6-10¼. Jeremy then popped over 2.12m/6-11½ on his first try. Kazmirek could go no higher and Jeremy headed to 2.15m/7½. Needing this bar to place him into the overall lead, his 1st attempt was close, and his 2nd was not. With the crowd and music roaring his third try was clean and the bar went to 2.18m/7-1¾. Now 27 points up on Kazmirek, he had an opportunity to pad his margin but the hour was late and he had been on the jumping pad for nearly 2 hours. He stopped at the point.

Pl	name	nation	197	200	203	206	209	212	215	218
1.	Taiwo	USA	p	o	p	xo	xo	o	xxo	



The crowd during the high jump was ten deep.

In Group B local Dominic Siedlaczek and diminutive Jan Deuber/SUI managed 2.00m/6-6¾ And neither could handle 2.03m/6-8

After Four: Taiw 3493, Kazm 3466, Frei 3455, Schr 3404....6th Sint 3374.

**400 meters:** [5:53 – 6:20 pm]



At this point 3 athletes had withdrawn (Prey/GER, Loosli and Finngeli/SUI and there was a need only for 5 races for the six lane track. Ingmar Vos/NED ran strongly from the gun in lane 6 but ran out of gas and little Jan Deuber/SUI won in 49.85 the first section. Race #2 went to Mathias Brugger/GER in 48.88.

The third race saw Michael Schrader in charge the whole distance and he won comfortably in 48.21. Pieter Braun/NED posted a PR 48.49 for 2nd. Last years' junior champ, Skyora was 5th in 49.75.

The 4th race Cuban Yordani Garcia came to life and was off like a shot. He never allowed anyone to challenge running a tough minded 48.42 over Rico Freimuths 48.70 and Willem Coertzen's 48.73.

The final race found Taiwo on the outside with speedy Kazmirek in lane 4. But the story here was Warner, in lane 3 who took over at 250 meters and was more than a match for Kazmirek's late rush. He won in a manly PR 47.04. Kazmirek's consolation was that his 47.30 clocking netted him the first day lead over Taiwo by 21 points.

Running on the outside, Sintnicolaas and Taiwo battled stride for stride for the last 140 meters with Jeremy prevailing with a nice 48.29 over 48.48.

*Pl name nation lane reaction time points*

1.	Warner	CAN	3	47.04	956
2.	Kazmirek	GER	4	47.30	943
3.	Taiwo	USA	6	48.29	895
4.	Sintnicolaas	NED	5	48.48	886
5.	Lane	GBR	2	48.92	865

*After Five: Kazm 4409, Taiw 4388, Frei 4331, Schr 4303, Sint 4260.*

## **RESULTS:**

### **5/30-31 41st Hvpo-Bank Meeting, Mosle Stadium, Götzis, AUT**

4409	Kazmirek, Kai/GER	10.78+0.8	756-1.3	1385	209	47.30
4388	Taiwo, Jeremy/ChulaVista OTC-USA	10.95+0.8	757 0.0	1395	215	48.29
4331	Freimuth, Rico/GER	10.53-0.1	754+0.6	1547	191	48.70
4303	Schrader, Michael/GER	10.68+0.8	766 0.0	1431	194	48.21
4260	Sintnicolaas, Eelco/NED	10.75-0.1	762-1.0	1467	191	48.48
4230	Coertzen, Willem/RSA	10.99+0.3	746-1.0	1414	203	48.73
4225	Braun, Pieter/NED	10.97+0.5	753+1.3	1397	200	48.49
4218	Wiesiolek, Pawel/POL	10.97+0.3	761+0.1	1455	200	49.80
4193	Auziel, Bastien/FRA	11.02-0.1	728+0.5	1590	197	49.57
4191	Brugger, Mathias/GER	11.01+0.5	731+1.4	1476	200	48.88
4176	Mikhan, Eduard/BLR	10.66+0.8	732+0.2	1410	194	48.95
4169	Garcia, Yordani /CUB	10.77-0.1	688+1.5	1438	203	48.42
4150	Shkurennev, Iiya/RUS	11.07+0.3	747+0.8	1376	200	49.00
4090	Lane, John/GBR	10.79-0.1	707+0.3	1371	197	
4085	Vos, Ingmar/NED	10.93-0.1	742+0.7	1350	203	51.09
4083	Sykora, Jiri/CZE	11.06+0.8	714+0.1	1495	197	49.75
4044	Geffrouais, Florian/FRA	11.20+0.5	712+2.9	1509	191	48.87
4003	Van Alpen, Hans/BEL	11.27-0.1	724+0.7	1496	194	50.43
3991	Cairol, Simone/ITA	11.05+0.8	735+0.1	1171	203	49.81
3982	Pittomvils, Niels/BEL	11.15-0.1	721+0.9	1362	197	50.11
3974	Siedlaczek, Dominik/AUT	11.06+0.3	694+0.4	1389	200	50.02
3964	Quer, Gael/FRA	11.15+0.5	726+0.2	1334	191	49.24
3951	Ushiro, Keisuke/JPN	11.27+0.5	675+0.1	11495	200	49.66
3881	Deuber, Jan/SUI	11.11+0.3	721-0.4	1117	200	49.85
3742	Warner, Damian/CAN	10.37-0.1	763+0.2	nm	200	47.04
dnf	Fringeli, Jonas/SUI	11.35-0.1	693+0.5	1355		withdrew
dnf	Loosli, Christian/SUI	11.16+0.5	nm			withdrew
dnf	Prey, Mathias/GER	11.29+0.3				withdrew

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