

## WOMEN'S 800 METERS

# Jelimo Narrow Fave

### THE FORMCHART

1. Pamela Jelimo (Kenya) .....	1:54.01 ('08)
2. Mariya Savinova (Russia) .....	1:55.87 ('11)
3. Fantu Magiso (Ethiopia).....	1:57.48 ('12)
4. Caster Semenya (South Africa)...	1:55.45 ('09)
5. Alysia Montaño (USA).....	1:57.34 ('10)
6. Francine Niyonsaba (Burundi)....	1:58.68 ('12)
7. Yelena Arzhakova (Russia) .....	1:57.67 ('12)
8. Janeth Jepkosgei (Kenya) .....	1:56.04 ('07)
9. Yekaterina Poistogova (Russia) ..	1:57.93 ('12)
10. Natalya Lupu (Ukraine) .....	1:58.46 ('12)

Other Americans:

Geena Gall 1:59.24 ('12)

Alice Schmidt 1:58.61 ('11)

### THE SCOOP

Very close between the reigning Olympic (Jelimo) and world (Savinova) champs. The Kenyan won their one '12 meeting, but 19-at-the-time Magiso beat them both in that race... Semenya?

### THE STATS

WR: 1:53.28 Jarmila Kratochvílová (Czech) '83

AR: 1:56.40 Jearl Miles Clark (Reebok) '99

OR: 1:53.43 Nadezhda Olizarenko (SU) '80

'08 OG Medals: Jelimo–Jepkosgei–Benhassi

'09 WC: Semenya–Jepkosgei–Meadows

'11 WC: Savinova–Semenya–Jepkosgei

### THE ALL-TIME TOP 10

1.	1:53.28.....	Jarmila Kratochvílová (Czech)	7/26/83
2.	1:53.43.	Nadezhda Olizarenko (Soviet Union)	7/27/80
3.	1:54.01.....	Pamela Jelimo (Kenya)	8/29/08
4.	1:54.44.....	Ana Quirot (Cuba)	9/09/89
5.	1:54.81.....	Olga Mineyeva (Soviet Union)	7/27/80
6.	1:54.94....	Tatyana Kazankina (Soviet Union)	7/26/76
7.	1:55.05.....	Doina Melinte (Romania)	8/01/82
8.	1:55.19.....	Maria Mutola (Mozambique)	8/17/94
		.....Jolanda Čepлак (Slovenia)	7/21/02
10.	1:55.26.....	Sigrun Wodars (East Germany)	8/31/87

### LONDON SCHEDULE

heats — 11:35 August 8

semis — 19:30 August 9

final — 20:00 August 11



Jelimo (l) and Jepkosgei went 1–2 in '08; both are back

### WINNERS SINCE 1972

1972	—	Hildegard Falck (WG)	1:58.55
1976	—	Tatyana Kazankina (SU)	1:54.94
1980	—	Nadyezhda Olizarenko (SU)	1:53.43
1984	—	Doina Melinte (Rom)	1:57.60
1988	—	Sigrun Wodars (EG)	1:56.10
1992	—	Ellen van Langen (Hol)	1:55.54
1996	—	Svetlana Masterkova (Rus)	1:57.73
2000	—	Maria Mutola (Moz)	1:56.15
2004	—	Kelly Holmes (GB)	1:56.38
2008	—	Pamela Jelimo (Ken)	1:54.87