

1984

Los Angeles - June 16-24

The Olympic venue, not much changed since 1932, acted as the trials location and rehearsal for the Olympics, which took place in the stadium 6 weeks later. The weather was excellent, despite smog fears, with only occasional swirling winds marring sprints and jumps.

100 Meters - June 17, 19.10 Hr (-2.2w)

1. Carl Lewis (SMTC)	10.06
2. Sam Graddy (adi)	10.21
3. Ron Brown (Unat)	10.23
4. Calvin Smith (Bud)	10.29
5. Kirk Baptiste (SMTC)	10.30
6. Emmit King (N Bal)	10.41
7. Harvey Gance (Aub TC)	10.42
8. Mel Lattany (Bud)	10.43

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 17, 16.35 Hr

- 1/ 1. Brown 10.18, 2. Graddy 10.19, 3. Gance 10.22, 4. King 10.30, 5. James Sanford (Muz) 10.35, 6. Albert Robinson (Ind) 10.36, 7. Jere Wheeler (Fresno CC) 10.38, 8. Mark McNeil (SMTC) 10.53 (+1.5w)
- 2/ 1. Lewis 10.15, 2. Baptiste 10.28, 3. Smith 10.29, 4. Lattany 10.37, 5. Thomas Jefferson (Kent) 10.45, 6. Ellison Stinson (Rice) 10.50, 7. Luis Morales (USC) 10.53. James Butler (Bud) - Dnc (-2.1w)

Quarter-finals - first 4 qualify, June 16, 12.40 Hr

- 1/ 1. Graddy 10.34, 2. Lattany 10.40, 3. Sanford 10.46, 4. Jefferson 10.51, 5. Terry Scott (adi) 10.53, 6. George Nicholas (Ohio St) 10.61, 7. Marty Krulee (Bud) 10.63, 8. Steve Bridges (Bud) 10.73 (-0.2w)
- 2/ 1. Lewis 10.14, 2. Smith 10.20, 3. Stinson 10.27, 4. McNeil 10.32, 5. Steve Williams (Unat) 10.34, 6. Donald Bly (LWC) 10.46, 7. Neal Jessie (Ga) 10.50, 8. Mike Morris (Syr) 11.12 (-0.5w)
- 3/ 1. Gance 10.11, 2. Robinson 10.24, 3. Wheeler 10.26, 4. Blalock 10.30, 5. Morales 10.30, 6. Rod Richardson (Con) 10.30, 7. Greg Walker (SW La) 10.54, 8. Lester Washington (Unat) 10.57 (-0.5w)
- 4/ 1. Baptiste 10.23, 2. Brown 10.30, 3. Butler 10.44, 4. King 10.46, 5. Ken Robinson (Acc) 10.47, 6. Steve Riddick (PPC) 10.49, 7. Bernie Jackson (SSTC) 10.51, 8. Lee Gordon (Cou) 10.55 (+0.4w)

Heats - first 6 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 16, 10.05 Hr

- 1/ 1. Baptiste 10.38, 2. Lattany 10.38, 3. Butler 10.43, 4. Scott 10.43, 5. Richardson 10.46, 6. K.Robinson 10.60, 7. Jeff Gold (PPC) 10.74. Darwin Cook (SSTC) Dnc (-0.1w)
- 2/ 1. Lewis 10.29w, 2. Blalock 10.29, 3. A.Robinson 10.34, 4. Jefferson 10.38, 5. Jackson 10.42, 6. Jessie 10.48, 7. Bly 10.52. Mike Roberson (Nike) - Dnc (+2.5w)
- 3/ 1. Graddy 10.26, 2. Smith 10.41, 3. Morales 10.47, 4. McNeil 10.48, 5. Morris 10.54, 6. Riddick 10.60, 7. Mario Johnson (NW La) 10.75. Walter Monroe (Unat) Dnc (+0.3w)
- 4/ 1. Brown 10.35, 2. Stinson 10.36, 3. Williams 10.51, 4. Wheeler 10.51, 5. Krulee 10.58, 6. Washington 10.63, 7. Nicholas 10.67, 8. Sam Palmer (Ga) 10.89 (+0.6w)
- 5/ 1. Gance 10.32, 2. Sanford 10.37, 3. Gordon 10.47, 4. King 10.55, 5. Bridges 10.58, 6. Walker 10.59, 7. Dannie Carter (LWC) 10.68, 8. Mike Sanford (Muz) 10.76. Jeff Phillips (AW) - Dnc (+1.2w)

The finest ever US domestic field was assembled for the final after some big names had been eliminated along the way. Old-timers Steve Riddick and Steve Williams were lost in the quarter-finals, while James Sanford placed 5th in his semi-final. Lewis, the world champion, was a clear favorite, and after getting out even with Graddy and King, he began to turn on the power. He looked across at the opposition from lane 1 at the 40m mark, the first of 4 such looks, and imperiously flowed away. Despite lifting his arms in celebration 10m from the line, and losing half a meter, he still had a winning margin of 0.15 - almost insulting to such a quality group of sprinters. Behind him Sam Graddy won the battle for second from Ron Brown, with Calvin Smith getting the relay spot after coming from last place at 40m. Lewis afterwards said "I'm happy..that I won. I trained for this meet, harder than anyone else". In a booklet later produced by "Swiss Timing", the timing experts considered that Lewis's time would have been 9.84 in windless conditions.

200 Meters - June 21, 18.30 Hr

5	1. Carl Lewis (SMTC)	19.86	10.23/9.63
8	2. Kirk Baptiste (SMTC)	20.05	10.36/9.69
3	3. Thomas Jefferson (Kent)	20.37	10.48/9.89
2	4. Roy Martin (Dallas TC)	20.43	10.51/9.92
6	5. Elliot Quow (adi)	20.47	10.39/10.08
4	6. Larry Myricks (Bud)	20.50	10.39/10.11
1	7. Albert Robinson (Ind)	20.51	10.57/9.94
7	8. Dwayne Evans (SSTC)	20.67	10.40/10.27

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 21, 16.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Lewis 20.09 (10.25/9.84), 2. Baptiste 20.46 (10.42), 3. Myricks 20.73 (10.44), 4. Evans 20.75 (10.50), 5. Wallace Spearmon (Ark) 20.82, 6. James Butler (Bud) 20.86, 7. Bill Snoddy (USN) 20.93, 8. Dannie Carter (LWC) n.t. (-1.3w)
- 2/ 1. Quow 20.56 (10.47), 2. Robinson 20.59 (10.59), 3. Martin 20.60 (10.61), 4. Jefferson 20.64 (10.61), 5. Calvin Smith (Bud) 20.65 (10.54), 6. Brady Crain (NYPC) 20.91, 7. Rod Barksdale (Ariz) 20.97, 8. Stanley Blalock (Bud) 21.07 (-0.6w)

Quarter-finals - first 4 qualify, June 19, 12.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Baptiste 20.33, 2. Myricks 20.54, 3. Crain 20.57, 4. Carter 20.62, 5. Art Williams (AbC) 20.91, 6. Alvin McNair (Purdue) 20.98, 7. George Crunkleton (Macc) 21.38, Ellison Stinson (Rice) - Dnc (-0.7w)
- 2/ 1. Martin 20.28, 2. Jefferson 20.37, 3. Evans 20.52, 4. Robinson 20.58, 5. Johnny Thomas (Bay) 20.77, 6. Dwight Williams (Ind St) 20.84, 7. Don Bly (LWC) 20.95, 8. Luis Morales (USC) 21.20 (+1.0w)
- 3/ 1. Lewis 19.84, 2. Butler 20.50, 3. Blalock 20.54, 4. Spearmon 20.72, 5. Daron Council (Aub) 20.84, 6. Bernard Jackson (SSTC) 20.85, Claude Magee (En Ill) and Greg Moore (Tiger Int) - Dnc (+0.2w)
- 4/ 1. Smith 20.33, 2. Barksdale 20.58, 3. Snoddy 20.77, 4. Quow 20.78, 5. Aubrey Jones (LWC) 20.82, 6. Gary Roberson (Texas) 20.87, Clinton Davis (New Image TC) - Dnf, Mel Lattany (Bud) - Dnc (+0.5w)

Heats - first 4 plus 8 fastest losers qualify, June 19, 10.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Smith 20.55, 2. Robinson 20.81, 3. A.Williams 20.94, 4. Thomas 21.09, 5. Council 21.23, 6. Morales 21.24, Mike Roberson (Nike) - Dnc (+0.9w)
- 2/ 1. Baptiste 20.48, 2. Crain 20.69, 3. McNair 20.96, 4. Moore 21.08, 5. Crunkleton 21.26, 6. Marty Krulee (Bud) 21.28, Harvey Glance (Aub TC) - Dnc (+1.2w)
- 3/ 1. Barksdale 20.59, 2. Carter 20.65, 3. Quow 20.67, 4. Davis 21.00, 5. John Gilchrist (Temple TC) 21.47, Steven Hall (Rice) Dnf, Deon Hogan (Bud) Dnc (+1.5w)
- 4/ 1. Butler 20.81, 2. Roberson 21.02, 3. D.Williams 21.08, 4. Stinson 21.15, 5. Jackson 21.15, 6. Fabien Cooper (Un) 21.43, 7. Robert Hackett (Wisc) 21.49 (+0.9w)
- 5/ 1. Martin 20.52, 2. Spearmon 20.81, 3. Evans 20.82, 4. Snoddy 20.96, 5. Lattany 21.17, 6. A.Jones 21.19, 7. Calvin Brooks (PE) 21.37, Fred Taylor (Unat) Dnc (-0.5w)
- 6/ 1. Lewis 20.52, 2. Jefferson 20.59, 3. Blalock 20.70, 4. Magee 20.85, 5. Myricks 20.98, 6. Bly 21.07, 7. Donnie Young (So.Miss) 21.30, 8. Bill Collins (Tiger Int) 21.39 (-2.1w)

With a day's break after the 100, and smarting from criticism about his easing up in the 100, Lewis bombed his second round race, beating '80 trials winner Butler by almost 7 yards in running the second best ever 200 at low altitude. In the preceding race 17 year-old Roy Martin had run the #2 high school time ever with 20.28, but he finished 3rd in his semi-final, so that Kirk Baptiste and Elliot Quow looked the best bets to join Lewis on the US team. Lewis dominated the final, leading by almost 2 meters off the bend and increasing his lead all the way to the tape to clock 19.84 in almost windless conditions. Behind him Baptiste ran a pb 20.05 to sew up second place, while Quow and Myricks battled for third until Martin passed them with 15 meters left, only to be overtaken by the surprising Jefferson in the last few strides.

400 Meters - June 21, 16.45 Hr

5	1. Antonio McKay (Ga T)	44.71
3	2. Alonzo Babers (Bud)	44.86
4	3. Sunder Nix (AW)	45.15
2	4. Ray Armstead (NE Mo)	45.25
1	5. Walter McCoy (Bud)	45.51
8	6. Willie Smith (PE)	45.51
7	7. Mark Rowe (Tiger Int)	45.87
6	8. Chris Whitlock (Accu)	45.89

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 19, 16.55 Hr

- 1/ 1. Babers 44.95, 2. McKay 45.20, 3. Smith 45.33, 4. Whitlock 45.35, 5. Mark Witherspoon (AbC) 45.37, 6. Michael Franks

(ACC) 45.38, 7. Oliver Bridges (Howard TC) 45.86, 8. Butch Reynolds (Butler CC) 47.52

- 2/ 1. Nix 44.93, 2. McCoy 45.03, 3. Armstead 45.10, 4. Rowe 45.30, 5. Rod Jones (SMU) 45.48, 6. Darrell Robinson (PE) 45.70, 7. Willie McLaughlin (adi) 45.72, Brad McDonald (SSTC) - Dnf

Quarter-finals - first 4 qualify, June 18, 17.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Nix 45.07, 2. Bridges 45.45, 3. Reynolds 45.66, 4. Witherspoon 45.70, 5. Eddie Carey (SSTC) 45.74, 6. Jeff Gross (Augustana) 46.08, 7. Mike Cannon (TCU) 46.18, 8. Lamar Smith (NB) 47.09
- 2/ 1. McKay 44.95, 2. McCoy 45.06, 3. Whitlock 45.19, 4. Rowe 45.36, 5. Willie Caldwell (Bay) 45.70, 6. Calvin Brooks (PE) 45.86, 7. Eliot Tabron (Unat) 46.21, 8. Perry Cartlidge (Bud) 46.27
- 3/ 1. McDonald 45.38, 2. Franks 45.41, 3. Jones 45.55, 4. W.Smith 45.58, 5. Clarence Daniels (Bud) 45.66, 6. Kris Durr (WSU) 46.19, 7. Cliff Wiley (Accu) 45.86, 8. Robin Thomas (SE Mo) 46.64
- 4/ 1. Babers 45.44, 2. Armstead 45.57, 3. Robinson 45.64, 4. McLaughlin 45.71, 5. Cedric Vaughans (NB) 45.82, 6. Roddie Haley (Texarcana HS, Tx) 45.84, 7. Laron Brown (Unat) 46.20, 8. James Harris (Lamar) 46.39

Heats - first 4 plus 8 fastest losers qualify, June 17, 10.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. McKay 45.35, 2. Reynolds 45.56, 3. W.Smith 45.65, 4. Vaughans 45.78, 5. Brown 46.31, 6. Jeff White (MSM) 46.61, Don Bly (LWC) - Dnc
- 2/ 1. Nix 45.22, 2. Jones 45.85, 3. L.Smith 46.19, 4. Cartlidge 46.29, 5. Harris 46.33, 6. Gross 46.41, 7. Ed Frazier (Taft) 47.44
- 3/ 1. Babers 45.43, 2. Witherspoon 45.57, Armstead 45.59, 4. McDonald 45.63, 5. Cannon 45.92, 6. Reggie Henderson (GM) 46.84, 7. John Patterson (Texas) 47.69
- 4/ 1. Daniel 45.75, 2. McLaughlin 46.38, 3. Brooks 46.39, 4. Carey 46.48, 5. Aubrey Jones (LWC) 46.58, 6. Mike Bradley (Unat) 47.37, 7. Jeff Jackson (Unat) 48.73, Kevin Robinzine (Everman HS, Tx) - Dnc
- 5/ 1. Franks 45.35, 2. McCoy 45.39, 3. Bridges 45.74, 4. Wiley 45.86, 5. Durr 46.13, 6. Ed Yearwood (NB) 46.52, 7. Bill Green (Unat) 46.64, 8. Eugene McDaniel (St Aug) 46.67
- 6/ 1. Robinson 45.40, 2. Rowe 45.60, 3. Caldwell 45.69, 4. Haley 45.72, 5. Whitlock 46.09, 6. Thomas 46.36, 7. Tabron 46.36, James Rolle (Bud) - Dnc

20 ran under 46.00 in the first round heats - the next best nation in 1984, the USSR, produced 6 sub-46 men by the end of the season. The quarter-finals were better, with 21 under 46, and 45.74 the *slowest* qualifying time. Antonio McKay, the NCAA winner, and Sunder Nix, who had won bronze in the inaugural world championships in '83, looked to be the men in form, and they were joined by Alonzo Babers and Walter McCoy, who ran 44.95 and 45.03 in their semis, as the men most likely to succeed. McKay and Nix started quickest in the final, and led by a meter from Babers at halfway. Babers kicked at 250m and led into the straight with Nix at his shoulder and McKay a yard back. McKay, a strength runner (like Lee Evans), dug deep and passed Nix at 350m, while Babers (a thoroughbred type like McKenley) succumbed only with 15 meters to go. Both men ran pbs ahead of Nix, who held off Ray Armstead, who also ran a pb in beating McCoy by almost 3 meters for 4th, and the Olympic relay spot.

800 Meters - June 19, 17.50 Hr

1. Earl Jones (En Mich)	1:43.74	AR
2. Johnny Gray (SMTC)	1:43.74	AR
3. John Marshall (Vill)	1:43.92	
4. James Robinson (ICAC)	1:43.92	
5. Don Paige (AA)	1:45.17	
6. Stanley Redwine (AW)	1:45.32	
7. Pete Richardson (Az St)	1:46.64	
8. Eugene Sanders (Bud)	1:47.05	

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 18, 18.05 Hr

- 1/ 1. Paige 1:46.86, 2. Marshall 1:47.07, 3. Richardson 1:47.27, 4. Sanders 1:47.40, 5. Ray Brown (Va) 1:47.94, 6. Randy Wilson (AW) 1:48.22, 7. Jeff West (SMTC) 1:48.22, 8. Stan Whitaker (AIA) 1:49.09
- 2/ 1. Redwine 1:46.32, 2. Jones 1:46.33, 3. Gray 1:46.36, 4. Robinson 1:46.38, 5. James Mays (Bud) 1:46.54, 6. Jack McIntosh (Bud) 1:48.07, 7. Mike Shea (Unat) 1:48.50, Scott Davis (NB) - Dnf

Quarter-finals - first 4 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 17, 17.40 Hr

- 1/ 1. Marshall 1:46.20, 2. West 1:46.60, 3. Robinson 1:46.62, 4. McIntosh 1:46.71, 5. Sanders 1:46.77, 6. Shea 1:47.24, 7. Davis 1:47.31, 8. Ocky Clark (Bud) 1:48.45
- 2/ 1. Gray 1:47.62, 2. Redwine 1:47.80, 3. Wilson 1:47.86, 4. Richardson 1:47.90, 5. Johnny Walker (LWC) 1:48.00, 6. Dan Futrell (Unat) 1:48.22, 7. Mel Trahan (PV) 1:49.72, 8. David Mack (SMTC) 1:56.07
- 3/ 1. Jones 1:46.63, 2. Paige 1:46.68, 3. Brown 1:47.05, 4. Mays 1:47.29, 5. Whitaker 1:47.42, 6. James Garrett (SDS) 1:48.94, 7. Bruce Roberts (Unat) 1:49.37, 8. Rob Webster (Nike) 1:51.76

Heats - first 4 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 16, 17.15 Hr

- 1/ 1. Gray 1:47.31, 2. Sanders 1:47.51, 3. Wilson 1:47.57, 4. Whitaker 1:47.77, 5. Garrett 1:47.90, 6. Bill Martin (Unat) 1:51.03..Steve Scott (Sub 4) - Dnc
- 2/ 1. Jones 1:47.94, 2. Mays 1:48.15, 3. Futrell 1:48.31, 4. Robinson 1:48.50, 5. Davis 1:49.00, 6. Roger Moore (Con) 1:49.63, 7. Scott Rider (SMTC) 1:49.78
- 3/ 1. Paige 1:47.54, 2. West 1:47.81, 3. McIntosh 1:47.90, 4. Walker 1:47.95, 5. Brown 1:48.06, 6. Butch Brown (NB) 1:51.21, 7. Mike Armour (Ga T) 2:01.02
- 4/ 1. Marshall 1:47.23, 2. Redwine 1:48.08, 3. Clark 1:48.10, 4. Shea 1:48.23, 5. Trahan 1:48.24, 6. Neil Moore (Tig Int) 1:49.03
- 5/ 1. Richardson 1:49.09, 2. Webster 1:49.14, 3. Roberts 1:49.19, 4. Mack 1:49.21, 5. Ken Wynn (Penn St) 1:49.34, 6. William Singleton (Mem St) 1:50.54

Despite three preliminary rounds, which had not been required since the 1960 Olympics, this proved to be the greatest 800m race in US domestic athletics history. The initial round eliminated just 8 athletes, and among the big names only David Mack and Randy Wilson failed to make the final. Earl Jones had improved from 1:48.6 in 1983 to 1:45.79 for 2nd in the NCAA, and took out the pace in the final. The first 200m took 24.2 seconds, clearly too quick, and Jones reached the bell in 50.2 with Stanley Redwine on his shoulder. James Robinson languished in last place in 52.0, and still was in 7th at 600m. Jones led at that point in 1:16.7 with Redwine starting to look vulnerable, while defending OT winner Don Paige had already lost touch. Gray, in third place at this point, and surprising John Marshall, began to close in from 4 yards back, and James Robinson began his big kick. The stretch battle was fascinating, with Jones holding form the whole way as Gray inched closer - finishing about an inch short, while Robinson caught Marshall but lost an Olympic place in the dip for the line. All 4 ran lifetime bests, with Jones and Gray breaking the US record. Jones went on to win Olympic bronze, while Gray went on to run 3 American record times in 5 days on the European circuit, culminating in a time of 1:42.96

1500 Meters - June 24, 18.55 Hr

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| 1. Jim Spivey (AW) | 3:36.43 |
| 2. Steve Scott (Sub 4) | 3:36.76 |
| 3. Sydney Maree (Reebok) | 3:37.02 |
| 4. Chuck Aragon (AW) | 3:37.07 |
| 5. Tim Hacker (Wisc) | 3:37.78 |
| 6. Dub Myers (Or) | 3:37.89 |
| 7. Brian Theriot (adi) | 3:39.25 |
| 8. Don Volkey (Wisc United) | 3:39.47 |
9. Mark Fricker (Accu) 3:40.50, 10. Kevin Johnson (adi) 3:42.91, 11. Adam Dixon (Harv) 3:46.86, 12. Tom Byers (adi) 3:50.15

Semi-finals - first 5 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 23, 17.40 Hr

- 1/ 1. Aragon 3:39.74, 2. Maree 3:39.76, 3. Fricker 3:40.07, 4. Hacker 3:40.37, 5. Theriot 3:40.50, 6. Myers 3:40.70, 7. John Hinton (Va TC) 3:41.04, 8. Roger Jones (PE) 3:44.09, 9. Andy Clifford (AIA) 3:49.35, 10. Craig Masback (Sub 4) 3:55.94
- 2/ 1. Scott 3:39.96, 2. Spivey 3:40.07, 3. Byers 3:40.13, 4. Johnson 3:40.37, 5. Volkey 3:40.41, 6. Dixon 3:40.45, 7. Terry Brahm (Ind) 3:42.08, 8. Roosevelt Jackson (Miami/O) 3:48.37, 9. Larry Mangan (AW) 3:51.67, Jim McKeon (Accu) - Dnf

Heats - first 5 plus 5 fastest losers qualify, June 22, 16.15 Hr

- 1/ 1. Scott 3:42.19, 2. Hinton 3:42.51, 3. Theriot 3:42.59, 4. Dixon 3:42.92, 5. Volkey 3:43.20, 6. McKeon 3:43.36, 7. Jeff Atkinson (PE) 3:44.09, 8. Joe Fabris (CARC) 3:44.41, 9. Greg Reynolds (USAF) 3:44.66, 10. Richie Harris (AW) 3:45.16, 11. Jim Cooper (CS) 3:46.48, 12. Ron Roberts (UCLA) 3:47.23, 13. Doug Peterson (AIA) 3:47.50
- 2/ 1. Maree 3:38.42, 2. Aragon 3:38.69, 3. Mangan 3:39.05, 4. Byers 3:39.16, 5. Fricker 3:39.33, 6. Masback 3:39.79, 7. Clifford 3:39.85, 8. Jackson 3:41.00, 9. Michael Parkinson (UCLA) 3:44.64, 10. Kevin King (Gtn AA) 3:47.99, 11. Jim Smith (PE) 3:50.68, 12. Frank Assuma (Tig Int) 3:52.82
- 3/ 1. Spivey 3:43.26, 2. Johnson 3:43.27, 3. Myers 3:43.27, 4. Hacker 3:43.42, 5. Brahm 3:43.52, 6. Jones 3:43.61, 7. Gary Gustafson (CNW) 3:44.55, 8. Bobby Beck (Tig Int) 3:45.34, 9. Mike Wyatt (PPC) 3:47.02, 10. Jay Woods (Nike) 3:47.71, 11. Jay Marden (Cal) 3:48.39, 12. Mike Hallabrin (Miami/O) 3:48.57

Scott and Sydney Maree, the former South African, were considered the favorites, with TAC champion Spivey, and sub 3:37 men Aragon and Dixon the likely contenders for the third place. With three rounds in 3 days, the strong rather than the quick were favored, and Maree, the TAC 5000 winner, set a solid pace of 59.7 - 1:59.4 before winding things up with a 57.2 third lap, which lost Dixon. Maree led until the finishing straight, with Scott, Spivey and Aragon right with him; Scott kicked off the final bend, but race fit Spivey sped past Scott and won by almost 3 yards, with Maree 2 yards further back, a foot ahead of Aragon.

3000 Meters Steeplechase - June 23, 19.10 Hr

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| 1. Henry Marsh (AW) | 8:15.91 |
| 2. Brian Diemer (AW) | 8:17.00 |
| 3. John Gregorek (adi) | 8:18.45 |

4. Farley Gerber (Weber)	8:22.54
5. Ivan Huff (CARC)	8:22.80
6. Dave Daniels (CW)	8:24.77
7. Tom Stevens (Nike)	8:25.21
8. Bret Hyde (USAF)	8:27.59

9. Ken Martin (AW) 8:28.29, 10. Jeff Hess (PE) 8:32.61, 11. Randy Jackson (Unat) 8:44.84, 12. Kelly Jensen (AW)W) 8:49.53

Semi-finals - first 5 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 21, 20.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Diemer 8:24.44, 2. Marsh 8:24.68, 3. Daniels 8:25.11, 4. Jensen 8:25.13, 5. Gregorek 8:25.16, 6. Hyde 8:25.39, 7. Hess 8:25.48, 8. Rickey Pittman (adi) 8:26.03, 9. Mike Vanatta (Nike) 8:31.46, 10. Bob Ingram (Ariz) 8:39.56
- 2/ 1. Stevens 8:28.68, 2. Huff 8:29.09, 3. Gerber 8:29.81, 4. Martin 8:30.11, 5. Jackson 8:30.19, 6. Jim Cooper (CS) 8:30.22, 7. Kregg Einspahr (CW) 8:44.67, 8. Ron Addison (AW) 8:48.51, 9. Richard Garcia (Unat) 8:53.27, 10. Cory Randall (Unat) 8:54.03

Heats - first 6 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 19, 18.25 Hr

- 1/ 1. Daniels 8:33.30, 2. Jensen 8:33.65, 3. Garcia 8:34.13, 4. Martin 8:34.16, 5. Gregorek 8:34.17, 6. Vanatta 8:36.06, 7. Randall 8:37.94, 8. Ingram 8:40.98, 9. Hal Kuphaldt (Or) 8:47.14, 10. Bill McCullough (SMTC) 8:47.93, 11. Pete Warner (Or St) 9:10.84
- 2/ 1. Huff 8:36.50, 2. Pittman 8:36.60, 3. Diemer 8:37.67, 4. Jackson 8:38.31, 5. Stevens 8:38.32, 6. Hess 8:40.47, 7. Rex Hohnholt (Unat) 8:55.09, 8. Matt McGuirk (Or) 8:56.94, 9. David Frank (PE) 9:01.39, Karl Van Calcar (Or St) - Dnc
- 3/ 1. Gerber 8:39.53, 2. Addison 8:39.84, 3. Hyde 8:41.32, 4. Marsh 8:41.51, 5. Cooper 8:42.61, 6. Kregg Einspahr (CW) 8:42.62, 7. David Barney (NB) 8:44.28, 8. Terry Drake (Brooks) 8:50.29, 9. David Dobler (adi) 8:52.21, 10. Steve James (adi) 9:06.14

Henry Marsh had led at the final barrier in the World Championships in 1983, before falling, and he was considered a virtual certainty for his third Olympic team. As was his custom, he lagged badly in the early going, and only began to look better as he increased pace. With three laps to go he was still almost 2 seconds behind tall pacemaker Bret Hyde, who was heading Diemer and Gregorek. Marsh finally closed in with a lap to go, pulling Gerber along with him. Gregorek, pressured by Gerber, made the first break, but with 250m to go Marsh powered by, finally looking good, and he won by more than 10m from Diemer, with Gregorek a safe third more than 25 yards ahead of Gerber.

5000 Meters - June 24, 19.30 Hr

1. Doug Padilla (AW)	13:26.34
2. Steve Lacy (NB)	13:27.72
3. Don Clary (adi)	13:28.62
4. Bruce Bickford (NB)	13:33.78
5. Chris Fox (AW)	13:36.86
6. Steve Plasencia (AW)	13:38.31
7. Brad Erickstad (Gruene TC)	13:41.28
8. Craig Virgin (FRTC)	13:41.63

9. Steve Ortiz (Unat) 13:45.21, 10. Jon Sinclair (Brooks) 13:46.71, 11. Danny Henderson (UCTC) 13:51.85, 12. Vince Draddy (Nike) 14:02.60

Semi-finals - first 5 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 22, 18.15 Hr

- 1/ 1. Clary 13:35.22, 2. Henderson 13:37.16, 3. Ortiz 13:38.28, 4. Draddy 13:38.99, 5. Padilla 13:39.57, 6. Virgin 13:40.30, 7. Sinclair 13:41.87, 8. David Barney (NB) 13:57.74, 9. Kevin McCarey (CW) 14:08.04, Ralph King (AW) and Todd Harbour (SMTC) - Dnf, Bill Krohn (PE) - Dnc
- 2/ 1. Plasencia 13:42.35, 2. Erickstad 13:42.67, 3. Bickford 13:43.00, 4. Lacy 13:43.98, 5. Fox 13:46.52, 6. Ryan 13:47.98, 7. Jim Hill (adi) 13:48.23, 8. Ray Wicksell (Sub 4) 13:54.33, 9. Ed Spinney (AW) 14:05.38, 10. Erin Rankin (Roos) 14:22.83, Ross Donoghue (adi) and Tom Smith (AW) - Dnf

Heats: - first 6 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, June 21, 17.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Lacy 13:45.05, 2. Draddy 13:45.89, 3. Plasencia 13:46.15, 4. Erickstad 13:46.37, 5. Harbour 13:46.48, 6. King 13:46.56, 7. Hill 13:47.27, 8. Tom Downs 14:06.03, 9. Pat Vaughn (NB) 14:09.37, 10. Steve Bishop (Macc) 14:35.58, Roy Kissin (PE) - Dnf, Herb Lindsay (AW) and Tim Hacker (Wise United) - Dnc
- 2/ 1. Donoghue 13:48.34, 2. Ryan 13:50.99, 3. Virgin 13:50.62, 4. Padilla 13:52.12, 5. Smith 13:52.13, 6. Sinclair 13:52.38, 7. McCarey 13:53.52, 8. Barney 13:54.58, 9. Rankin 13:55.10, 10. Dan Aldridge (AW) 14:03.55, 11. Greg Lautenslager (Nike) 14:09.41, 12. John Koningh (Sub 4) 14:14.22, 13. Dave Henderson (Port St) 14:29.48, 14. Charles DeGarmo (adi) 14:44.81
- 3/ 1. Clary 13:37.02, 2. Henderson 13:47.60, 3. Ortiz 13:49.51, 4. Bickford 13:50.27, 5. Fox 13:53.25, 6. Wicksell 13:54.23, 7. Spinney 13:58.83, 8. Krohn 13:59.70, 9. Jerald Jones (SMTC) 14:05.25, 10. Jed Hopfensberger (Unat) 14:16.87, 11. Troy Billings (Nike) 14:42.00, Anthony Sandoval (Unat), Mark Nenow (Unat) and Tom Wysocki (Brooks) - Dnc

Henderson led the field through 3k in 8:14, and that pace was maintained through 4k, led now by Bruce Bickford. With a lap and a half to go Brad Erickstad took the lead, with Clary, Bickford, Lacy and Padilla in tow. Padilla took the lead with 500m left, and he went away from Lacy with 150m to go, having covered his last kilometer in 2:27.9 and his last lap in 56.5.

10000 Meters - June 19, 19.45 Hr

1. Paul Cummings (Conv)	27:59.08
2. Craig Virgin (FRTC)	28:02.27
3. Pat Porter (AW)	28:03.86
4. Garry Bjorklund (NB)	28:05.83
5. Mark Curp (NB)	28:06.80
6. Bruce Bickford (NB)	28:18.86
7. Tom Ansberry (ASICS Tiger)	28:26.39
8. Don Clary (adi)	28:28.11

9. Robbie Perkins (AW) 28:38.64, 10. Charlie Bevier (PE) 28:40.89, 11. Mark Nenow (Todd's Rd Stumblers) 28:53.78, 12. Ed Eyestone (BYU) 28:55.78, 13. John Idstrom (Nike) 28:57.04, 14. Herb Lindsay (AW) 29:43.72, 15. Anthony Sandoval (Unat) 29:46.45, 16. Mike Buhmann (PE) 29:52.20, 17. Pat Peterson (Super Runner's Shop) 29:52.23, Steve Ortiz (Unat) - Dnf

Heats - first 4 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, June 16, 18.45 Hr

1/ 1. Virgin 28:19.59, 2. Cummings 28:19.63, 3. Nenow 28:19.66, 4. Bickford 28:19.68, 5. Bevier 28:32.46, 6. Ortiz 28:34.69, 7. Buhmann 28:42.05, 8. Perkins 28:43.94, 9. Bill Donakowski (CW) 28:46.14, 10. Gary Tuttle (NB) 29:16.28, 11. Jim Hill (adi) 29:16.88, 12. Jed Hopfsenberger (Unat) 29:32.41, 13. Dan Dillon (AW) 30:00.26, 14. Chris Hamilton (Or) 30:24.98, 15. Jeff Drenth (Nike) 30:24.99

2/ 1. Eyestone 28:34.37, 2. Lindsay 28:34.38, 3. Bjorklund 28:34.50, 4. Ansberry 28:34.65, 5. Idstrom 28:39.22, 6. Greg Fredericks (PSSS) 28:46.03, 7. Pat Vaughn (NB) 28:57.51, 8. Ron Tabb (adi) 29:12.01, 9. Mark Stickley (Va T) 29:12.71, 10. Dean Matthews (Unat) 29:39.16, 11. Roy Kissin (PE) 29:51.59, 12. Dean Kimball (Nike) 29:58.83, 13. Steve McCormack (adi) 30:25.48, Tom Wysocki (Brooks) - Dnc

3/ 1. Porter 28:29.34, 2. Clary 28:29.76, 3. Curp 28:29.95, 4. Peterson 28:36.20, 5. Sandoval 28:40.52, 6. Keith Brantly (Fla) 28:48.89, 7. Kirk Pfeffer (ASICS Tig) 28:50.27, 8. John Moreno (Con) 28:57.03, 9. Mark Conover (PE) 29:05.31, 10. John Easker (Wisc United) 29:19.14, 11. Bob Hodge (NB) 29:24.11, 12. Gerald Donakowski (Nike) 29:48.83, 13. Dan Grimes (Tig Int) 29:58.29, 14. John Flora (PE) 30:04.35

The heats were painful, with sub-28:44 required to qualify - not easy in the hot conditions, and this made the runners wary of a fast pace in the final. Mark Nenow upped the 28:40 pace at 3k punching in a kilometer of 2:42, and took the pace to 14:06.1 at halfway. Nenow faded shortly after, and Porter, Bickford and Curp shared the lead, until Bjorklund began to apply pressure at 9400m. At the bell Cummings, who had been NCAA Mile champion a decade earlier, reacted as if a gun had been fired at him, and scooted away to a 25 yard win, with a last lap of 55.9. Craig Virgin was a surprising second and so made his third Olympic team, ahead of Porter and Bjorklund.

20 Kilometer Walk - June 16, 18.25 Hr

1. Marco Evoniuk (Bud)	1:26:17
2. Jim Heiring (Bud)	1:27:18
3. Dan O'Connor (SSTC)	1:29:12
4. Sam Shick (AIA)	1:30:25
5. Carl Schueler (East Side TC)	1:30:46
6. Todd Scully (Shore)	1:32:21
7. Larry Funkhouser (Shore)	1:32:53
8. Larry Walker (Van's National Walkers)	1:33:25

17 finished// 5 disqualified// 2 non-finishers

In the entire history of the US trials only once had the same 3 athletes repeated the top-3 slots in an OT event (the 1968 Hammer), and so while it was no surprise that Evoniuk, Heiring and O'Connor made the team, it was a fine achievement and bucked the trend. The 3 of them quickly established the status quo, and by halfway Evoniuk (42:24) led from Heiring (42:26) with O'Connor well back (42:50), but a long way ahead of the field (43:50). Heiring dropped back from Evoniuk with hamstring problems, but qualified comfortably.

50 Kilometer Walk - June 23, 08.00 Hr

1. Marco Evoniuk (Bud)	4:02:25
2. Vince O'Sullivan (East Side TC)	4:14:04
3. Carl Schueler (East Side TC)	4:15:06
4. Tom Edwards (Island AC)	4:16:38
5. Randy Mimm (Shore)	4:19:38
6. Troy Engle (Roos)	4:25:00
7. Wayne Glusker (West Valley TC)	4:30:58
8. Mike DeWitt (UCTC)	4:37:19
9. Fabian Knizacky (Shore)	4:43:13
10. Richard Fenton (GBTC)	4:46:45

3 disqualified// 3 non-finishers

Having made both walk teams in 1980, Evoniuk repeated, and won by the impressive margin of almost 12 minutes on a very warm day. Only Heiring and O'Connor tried to keep up with Evoniuk, and Heiring retired while O'Connor was DQed. Evoniuk went on to place a fine 7th in the Olympic 20k, but failed to finish in the 50k event.

Marathon - Buffalo, May 26

1. Pete Pfitzinger (NB)	2:11:43
2. Alberto Salazar (AW)	2:11:44
3. John Tuttle (Roos)	2:11:50
4. Dave Gordon (AW)	2:11:59
5. Dean Matthews (adi)	2:12:25
6. Antony Sandoval (Unat)	2:12:41
7. Greg Meyer (Brooks)	2:13:29
8. Bill Rodgers (PE)	2:13:30
9. Sal Vega (NYAC)	2:14:18
10. Tom Raunig (AW)	2:16:02

108 finishers

Pete Pfitzinger was a relatively unknown, and definitely unfancied runner, at the start of the OT marathon, despite having won on the same course in 1981. The event was held in warm conditions, with headwinds of 15 mph on much of the course. Pfitzinger drew clear of the field at halfway, and he built up a 150m lead, which disappeared by 21 miles. Tuttle and Salazar went way from Pfitzinger in the last mile, but he came back and outkicked Salazar. Pfitzinger went on to place a respectable 11th in the Olympic race.

110 Meters Hurdles - June 19, 18.05 Hr (-1.1w)

1. Greg Foster (TWC)	13.21
2. Tonie Campbell (SSTC)	13.34
3. Roger Kingdom (New Image)	13.36
4. Milan Stewart (SSTC)	13.57
5. Cletus Clark (Tiger Int)	13.63
6. Henry Andrade (SSTC)	13.64
7. John Timpson (TSU)	13.75
8. John Johnson (Unat - Stockton, Ca)	13.97

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 19, 16.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Foster 13.22, 2. Stewart 13.65, 3. Timpson 13.78, 4. Johnson 13.80, 5. Sam Turner (adi) 13.93, 6. Larry Cowling (Accu) 13.98, 7. Alex Washington (Wn Mich) 14.08, 8. Kerry Bethel (Shore) 14.09 (-2.7w)
- 2/ 1. Campbell 13.31, 2. Kingdom 13.36, 3. Andrade 13.45, 4. Clark 13.58, 5. Jack Pierce (Morg St) 13.60, 6. James McCraney (Macc) 13.61, 7. Wayne Roby (Wisc) 13.64, 8. Rod Wilson (Pollitabs) 13.86 (+1.8w)

Quarter-finals - first 3 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 18, 16.25 Hr

- 1/ 1. Foster 13.29, 2. McCraney 13.66, 3. Wilson 13.66, 4. Roby 13.74, 5. Bethel 13.84, 6. Tony Dees (Bud) 13.88, 7. John Lenstrohm (SSTC) 13.97, 8. Keith Talley (SWMi CC) 14.05 (+0.4w)
- 2/ 1. Campbell 13.36, 2. Stewart 13.67, 3. Washington 13.83, 4. Thomas Wilcher (Mich) 13.91, 5. Malcolm Dixon (CW) 14.09, 6. Edward Ross (Neb) 14.14, 7. Sansiski Daniels (UTA) 14.27, 8. Boris Pendergrass (Rutgers) 16.57 (+0.5w)
- 3/ 1. Johnson 13.58w, 2. Cowling 13.60, 3. Turner 13.61, 4. Timpson 13.70, 5. Pierce 13.78, 6. Reggie Towns (adi) 13.92, 7. Eugene Norman (Rutgers) 13.98, 8. Robert Thomas (PV TC) 14.28 (+2.4w)
- 4/ 1. Kingdom 13.55, 2. Andrade 13.61, 3. Clark 13.67, 4. Albert Lane (ACC) 13.97, 5. Albert Jones (Okla St) 14.00, 6. Nat Page (Accu) 14.14, 7. Stefan Baker (SMTTC) 14.23, 8. Lamar Hurd (Or) 14.37 (-0.4w)

Heats - first 5 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 18, 11.20 Hr

- 1/ 1. Foster 13.19, 2. Stewart 13.76, 3. Pierce 13.78, 4. Lane 13.78, 5. Towns 13.91, 6. Dennis Brantley (TSU) 14.07, 7. Rickey Alexander (Westfield TC) 14.41, 8. Leander McKenzie (Bud) 14.46 (+0.5w)
- 2/ 1. Campbell 13.33, 2. McCraney 13.72, 3. Wilcher 13.80, 4. Norman 13.99, 5. Baker 14.09, 6. Martin Booker (Vill) 14.16, 7. Jeff Powell (Unat) 14.18, 8. Ken Link (NE La) 14.19 (+1.1w)
- 3/ 1. Clark 13.71, 2. Page 13.94, 3. Dees 13.96, 4. Pendergrass 14.06, 5. Hurd 14.09, 6. David Ashford (Cen.Ariz) 14.23, 7. Craig White (Unat) 14.26, 8. James Quinn (Baptist) 14.33 (+1.1w)
- 4/ 1. Kingdom 13.64, 2. Wilson 13.71, 3. Bethel 13.80, 4. Andrade 13.81, 5. Roby 13.83, 6. Ross 13.84, 7. Talley 13.92, 8. Elliot White (UCSB) 14.03 (+1.8w)
- 5/ 1. Turner 13.58w, 2. Washington 13.64, 3. Jones 13.73, 4. Cowling 13.77, 5. Daniels 13.84, 6. Frank Williamson (Fresno St) 13.97, 7. Barry McClain (SH) 14.06, 8. Steve Kerho (UCLA) 14.18 (+2.6w)
- 6/ 1. Johnson 13.82, 2. Timpson 13.88, 3. Dixon 14.07, 4. Lenstrohm 14.09, 5. Thomas 14.11, 6. Charles James (LSU) 14.13, 7. Eugene Miller (Unat) 14.24, 8. Barry Word (Va TC) 14.56 (+1.1w)

Greg Foster was drawn in the first race in each round, and appropriately enough won all of his races. In the heats he broke Nehemiah's OT record with 13.19, which survived the ensuing rounds as the fastest time of the meet, because of the swirling winds which hampered many of the runners. Foster, probably the best ever at dealing with strong headwinds, ran 13.22 in his semi-final into a 2.7 m/s wind, and then 13.21 into a 1.1 wind, despite smacking the first hurdle hard. Behind him Tonie Campbell improved his 1980 trials position by a place to edge Kingdom for second, as the latter equalled the pb he had set behind Campbell in his semi-final.

400 Meters Hurdles - June 18, 18.55 Hr

8	1. Edwin Moses (Unat)	47.76
2	2. Danny Harris (Iowa St)	48.11
1	3. Tranel Hawkins (Accu)	48.28
7	4. Andre Philips (TWC)	48.62
5	5. Dave Patrick (adi)	48.99
6	6. Bart Williams (SSTC)	49.20
4	7. Tony Rambo (Bud)	49.27
3	8. Bernie Holloway (Tiger Int)	51.08

Semi-finals: - first 4 qualify, June 17, 18.25 Hr

- 1/ 1. Moses 47.58, 2. Harris 48.02, 3. Rambo 48.16, 4. Patrick 48.80, 5. James Walker (Bud) 49.40, 6. Leander McKenzie (Bud) 49.51, 7. Ed Brown (ACC) 49.89, 8. Jon Thomas (Ind) 50.06
- 2/ 1. Hawkins 48.52, 2. Phillips 49.20, 3. Williams 49.21, 4. Holloway 49.82, 5. Tony Valentine (Vill) 49.90, 6. Ray Smith (SSTC) 50.14, 7. Kevin Henderson (Auburn) 51.20, 8. John Lenstrohm (SSTC) 51.48

Heats: - first 3 plus the fastest loser qualify, June 16, 11.20 Hr

- 1/ 1. Moses 48.83, 2. Smith 49.18, 3. Valentine 49.66, 4. Thomas 49.71, 5. Forika McDougald (Auburn) 50.31, 6. Floyd Johnson (Bud) 51.41, 7. Terry Menefee (NB) 51.45
- 2/ 1. Phillips 49.25, 2. Williams 49.71, 3. Walker 49.92, 4. Andri Hargrove (Macc) 50.19, 5. Fred Cleary (Ark) 52.11, 6. Jim Scanella (Cal) 53.66, 7. Craig Moody (Tex A&M) 54.46
- 3/ 1. Harris 49.48, 2. McKenzie 49.74, 3. Brown 50.12, 4. James King (Macc) 50.37, 5. Martin Booker (Vill) 51.81, 6. Don Ward (Or) 52.15, 7. Walter Morrison (Texas T) 52.51
- 4/ 1. Hawkins 48.90, 2. Holloway 50.40, 3. Lenstrohm 50.71, 4. Mark Patrick (adi) 51.26, 5. Sylvester Davis (VMI) 51.90, 6. Belfred Clark (Knox TC) 52.41, David Lee (Bud) - Dnc
- 5/ 1. Rambo 49.68, 2. Patrick 50.11, 3. K.Henderson 50.24, 4. Chappelle Henderson (Texas A&M) 50.45, 5. Julius Mercer (SSTC) 50.73, 6. Ed Cooper (SDS) 51.41, 7. Wendell Angel (ACC) 51.81

With 88 consecutive wins, Edwin Moses was a favorite no-one would bet against, and despite drawing the outside lane in each round, he proceeded to live up to expectations. After a casual 48.83 heat, he blasted his semi-final, and ran 47.58 - faster than anyone else ever, although only the =12th best Moses effort. Behind him, Dannie Harris ran a world junior record of 48.02, and Tony Rambo improved by more than 3/4 of a second to run 48.16. James Walker was eliminated, despite running 49.40, while 49.82 qualified in the other semi-final. Moses tended to win races from the point at which other runners began to chop stride, and the '84 OT was no exception, as Andre Phillips and Harris began to drop back after the 7th hurdle. Phillips, bothered by a cold, slipped back, and was overtaken by surprising Tranel Hawkins, who charged up in the inside lane to take third a yard behind Harris, and 4 behind Moses.

High Jump - June 24, 16.30 Hr

1.	Dwight Stones (PCC)	7'8"	(2.34)	AR
2.	Doug Nordquist (Tiger Int)	7'7"	(2.31)	
3.	Milton Goode (NB)	7'5 3/4"	(2.28)	

4. Leo Williams (PE)	7'5 3/4" (2.28)
5. Joe Radan (SSTC)	7'5 3/4" (2.28)
6. Jake Jacoby (AIA)	7'4 1/2" (2.25)
7. Dennis Lewis (NB)	7'4 1/2" (2.25)
8. James Barrineau (Bud)	7'4 1/2" (2.25)

=9. Tyke Peacock (PE) & James Hopson (Storrs, Conn) 7'3" (2.21), 11. Lee Balkin (SSTC) 7'3" (2.21), 12. Ben Lucero (AIA) 7'3" (2.21), 13. Del Davis (SSTC) 7'1 1/2" (2.17), Dothel Edwards (HS Athens, Ga), James Lott (Texas) and Brent Harken (Wash) - no height.

Qualifying: June 23, 09.30 Hr: All qualifiers cleared 7'4 1/2" (2.25), except Barrineau, Edwards, Lucero, Nordquist and Radan who cleared 7'3" (2.21) without a miss. Non-qualifiers: Marshall Broadway (SMTC), James Cunningham (SSTC), Dale Davis (USMC), James Frazier (Unat), Dave Puvogel (Unat), Brian Whitehead (Unat) all 7'3" (2.21), Jim Howard (PCC), Franklin Jacobs (Passaic TC), Bill Jasinski (Ark), Tom McCants (Ala), Paul Piwinski (Bud), Jim Pringle (Unat), Kenny Smith (Fla St), Rickie Thompson (Con) all 7'1 1/2" (2.17), Scott Budnick (Neb), Anthony Caire (SSTC), Jerome Carter (adi), Benn Fields (Unat), Ron Jones (Ind), Jim Moran (Hay St), John Morris (Cal), Rick Noji (HS, Seattle), Mike Pascuzzo (Md), Joe Patrone (RI), Chuck Perry (Texas A&M), Brian Tietjens (Iowa St), Rick Watkins (AIA), Chuck Willbanks (Unat) all no-heighted, Mel Baker (Unat) - Dnc

There's a photo in "Track and Field News" Olympic trials edition of 1984 which exactly captures Dwight Stones's emotion on clearing a lifetime best of 7'8" - he called it "the greatest moment in track and field for me, ever". One of the most precise run-up men in the event's history, Stones was clearly in fine form, as he cleared every height up to the record jump at his first attempt. His training partner, and distant cousin, Doug Nordquist followed him (albeit with less perfection) as the only other man to clear 7'7". Stones then made 7'8" on his second jump, and then had 3 misses at 7'9 1/4". Milton Goode took 3rd from tough competitor Leo Williams and Joe Radan on the countback at 7'5 3/4". No American high jumper has shown the kind of longevity of Dwight Stones - winner of the OT event twice - with a spread of 12 years.

	2.17	2.21	2.25	2.28	2.31	2.34	2.37
Stones	o	o	o	o	o	ox	xxx
Nordquist	o	o	xo	xo	xxo	xxx	
Goode	p	o	o	o	xp		
Williams	o	o	xo	xo	xxx		
Radan	xo	o	o	xxo	xxx		

Pole Vault - June 21, 16.50 Hr

1. Mike Tully (NYAC)	19'0 3/4"	(5.81) AR
2. Doug Lytle (Bud)	18'8 3/4"	(5.71)
3. Earl Bell (PCC)	18'4 3/4"	(5.61)
4. Joe Dial (Okla St)	18'4 3/4"	(5.61)
4. Dave Kenworthy (SSTC)	18'4 3/4"	(5.61)
4. Brad Pursley (PCC)	18'4 3/4"	(5.61)
7. Billy Olson (PCC)	18'1"	(5.51)
8. Dale Jenkins (AbC)	17'5"	(5.31)
8. Greg Woepse (SSTC)	17'5"	(5.31)

Jeff Buckingham (Bud), Dan Ripley (PCC), and Steve Stubblefield (Ark St) - no height

Qualifying: June 19, 09.30 Hr: All qualifiers cleared 17'8 1/2" (5.40). Non-qualifiers: Anthony Curran (SCS), Nat Durham (AIA), Eric Forney (Okla St), Randy Hall (PCC), David Hodge (Baylor), Chuck Suey (SSTC), David Swezey (Unat), Kory Tarpenning (Or), Steve Thaxton (AbC), Baker Vinci (Bud), Dave Volz (SCS) all cleared 17'4 1/2" (5.30). Paul Babits (UCTC), Doug Bockmiller (Golden Bear), Todd Cooper (AIA), Ken Corney (SSTC), Greg Duplantis (LSU), Gary Hunter (Ohio TC), Larry Jessee (Pollitabs), Bubba Kavanaugh (Macc), Mark Klee (Ark), Glen Loontjer (Neb), Ross McAlexander (Unat), Jerry Mulligan (SSTC), Bob Phillips (Jock Shop), Grey Rappe (LSU), Bobby Williams (AbC) - all no-heighted.

The final was delayed by 40 minutes as the run-up direction was reversed to take advantage of the following wind. Five of the twelve finalists went out by 5.61m, the biggest names being Ripley, over 18 ft for the 10th year in a row in 1984, and Buckingham, 1983 TAC winner. Earl Bell, 1976 Olympian, was the only man to make 18'4 3/4" first time, and was followed by Lytle, Pursley, Kenworthy and Dial next time around, and Tully at the third attempt. Olson failed and placed 7th with his 18'1". Lytle cleared 18'8 3/4" first time, and Tully moved from 6th to 2nd with his clearance on his second attempt. When the others failed, the 3 spots were settled, but Tully got the icing on the cake, when he slid over 19'0 3/4" to break Bell's 19'0 1/4" US record set at the TAC championships. Tully went on to take Olympic silver a month and half later, while Bell won a bronze.

Long Jump - June 19, 17.40 Hr

1. Carl Lewis (SMTC)	28'7"	(8.71) +0.1w	8.71/5.72/ p / p / p
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2. Larry Myricks (Bud)	27'0 3/4"	(8.25) +0.8w	8.25/8.09/8.25/8.15/8.23/8.05
3. Mike McRae (BAS)	26'9"	(8.15) +0.7w	8.02/ x /7.71/7.93/ x /8.15
4. Jason Grimes (AW)	26'7 3/4"	(8.12) +1.8w	7.81/8.12/7.98/ x /7.91/ x
5. Vance Johnson (Ariz)	26'6 1/4"	(8.08) -0.5w	8.08/7.93/7.92/7.99/8.08/ x
6. Mike Powell (Muzik Int)	26'2 1/4"	(7.98) -1.0w	
7. Mike Conley (Ark)	26'0 3/4"	(7.94) +0.7w	
8. Randy Williams (USMC)	25'7 1/2"	(7.81) +0.8w	

9. Tim Leach (St Aug) 25'7 1/2" (7.81) +0.1w, 10. Ralph Spry (NB) 25'3 1/2" (7.71) +0.4w, 11. Gordon Laine (LWC) 25'2 3/4" (7.69)+0.3w, 12. Ron Waynes (SSTC) 23'9 1/2" (7.25) -1.4w

Qualifying: 26'3" or top-12, June 18, 16.10 Hr: Lewis 27'6 1/2" (8.39), Myricks 26'0" (7.92), Laine 25'10 1/4" (7.88), Powell 25'9 1/2"w (7.86), Conley 25'9 1/2" (7.86), Johnson 25'8 3/4" (7.84), Waynes 25'8 1/4" (7.83), Williams 25'8 1/4" (7.83), Grimes 25'5 1/2" (7.76), Spry 25'4 3/4"w (7.74), McRae 25'4 1/2" (7.73), Leach 25'4" (7.72). Non-qualifiers: Vesco Bradley (Bud) 25'3 1/2" (7.71), Warren Wilhoite (SSTC) 25'3 1/2" (7.71), Keith Talley (SWMi CC) 25'3 1/2" (7.71), Kevin Wilson (Muzik Int) 25'2" (7.67), Kerry Zimmerman (Ind TC) 25'1 1/4" (7.65), Leatha Stanley (AIA) 24'11 1/4" (7.60), Ed Tave (SSTC) 24'7" (7.49), Nick Rahal (Bud) 24'6 1/2" (7.48), Charles Smith (Unat) 24'6 1/2" (7.48), Ken Frazier (Az St) 24'5 3/4" (7.46), Derek Harper (ACC) 24'5 3/4" (7.46), Troy Amboree (Lamar) 24'5"w (7.44), Malcolm Grimes (USAF) 24'5" (7.44), Danny Little (JM) 24'3 1/2" (7.40), Stan Holmes (Bud) 24'0 1/4" (7.32), Mark Freeman (Fla St) 23'10" (7.26), Mike Davis (Ark) 23'9 1/2" (7.25), Brian Cooper (Un) 23'8 3/4" (7.23), Russ Mitchell (Un) 23'7 1/2" (7.20), Lujack Lawrence (USA) 23'6 1/4" (7.17), Skeeter Jackson (Tig Int), Elton Slater (SW La), James Washington (Tex A&M) - all 3 fouls

Of the 33 jumpers who started, only Carl Lewis was able to make the qualifying standard of 26'3". The world's number 1 cleared 27'6 1/2" - a distance only ever reached by Myricks among the other competitors. Lewis then opened up with the last jump of round one in the final with a booming jump of 28'7", which looked longer. After a run-through on his second jump, Lewis called it a day, with the 200m clearly on his mind. The boos which followed this action at the Olympics were missing at the OT, a clear signal that the OT crowd was (and is) traditionally a crowd of aficionados - much more so than Olympic attendees. Myricks had jumped 27'0 3/4" in round 1, and that easily held up for second. The battle for third was dramatic; Jason Grimes, world silver medallist, had jumped 26'7 3/4" in the second round, and footballer Vance Johnson had got closest with 26'6 1/4". Then, with the final jump of the day, TAC champion Mike McRae launched out to 26'9" to take third.

Triple Jump - June 17, 17.30 Hr

1. Mike Conley (Ark)	57'5"	(17.50) -0.5w	x /17.32/16.69/17.31/ x /17.50
2. Al Joyner (Bud)	56'4 3/4"	(17.19) -0.8w	16.66/16.76/17.01/16.85/17.19/16.35
3. Willie Banks (AW)	56'2 3/4"	(17.14) +2.0w	16.50/17.14/16.02/16.99/17.02/16.64
4. Ray Kimble (adi)	55'9"	(16.99) -0.9w	x /16.48/16.67/14.82/ x /16.99
5. Charlie Simpkins (Baptist)	55'0"	(16.76) -1.6w	
6. Greg Caldwell (Macc)	54'9 1/2"	(16.70) +1.9w	
7. Doug Garner (South Bay TC)	53'6 1/4"	(16.31) -1.0w	
8. Robert Cannon (CA)	53'5 1/2"	(16.29) -1.5w	

9. Byron Criddle (SMTC) 53'2 3/4" (16.22) -1.0w, 10. Gerald McNair (Flor Val TC) 52'9 1/4" (16.08) +0.1w, 11. Paul Jordan (Bud) 52'8" (16.05) -1.5w, Cary Tyler (AIA) 3 Fouls/// Qualifying: June 16, 10.00 Hr: Jordan 56'4 3/4" (17.19), Conley 55'4 1/4"w (16.87), Kimble 54'6 1/2" (16.63), Joyner 54'4" (16.56), Banks 54'4" (16.56), Simpkins 54'2 3/4" (16.53), Caldwell 54'2 3/4" (16.53), Tyler 53'10 1/2" (16.42), Garner 53'10 1/4" (16.41), Cannon 53'5 3/4" (16.30), Criddle 53'5 3/4" (16.30), McNair 52'11" (16.13). Non-qualifiers: Mike Marlow (SSTC) 52'9 1/2" (16.09), David McFadgen (Accu) 52'9 1/2" (16.09), Eddie Loyd (Mid Tenn St) 52'7 1/2" (16.04), Fred Brooks (US-A) 52'5 1/2" (15.99), Ken Williams (Cal) 51'9 1/4" (15.78), Byron Gray (SSTC) 51'8 1/2" (15.76), Leon Hutchins (Bud) 51'5 1/2" (15.68), David Siler (SSTC) 51'5 1/2" (15.68), Ken Hays (Muzik Int) 51'1 3/4" (15.59), Kenny Harrison (KS) 51'0 3/4" (15.56), Dwayne Rudd (NM) 50'9 1/2" (15.48), Ed Roskiewicz (Penn St) 50'7 1/4" (15.42), Jimmy Washington (Unat) 50'7 1/4" (15.42), Shawn Akridge (Bud) 50'1 3/4" (15.28), Sanya Owolabi (unat) 47'7 1/4" (14.51), Cameron Gary (Macc) and Ed Williams (PV) - 3 Fouls. Al Toon (Wisc) and Charles Mayfield (Unat) - Dnc

Willie Banks, world championship runner-up, was the favorite ahead of Mike Conley, despite the younger man having the top mark in the nation (56'11 1/2") set when winning the NCAA. Al Joyner and Ray Kimble, who had gone 1-2 in the TAC with the same distance (55'6 1/4"w) were thought to be the main contenders for the third spot. Paul Jordan, 1980 Olympian, pulled a rabbit out of the hat with his qualifying jump of 56'4 3/4", but he couldn't get his run-up right in the final. Kimble had the best jump of round 1 - a foul of around 57'0, and the first big jump came in round 2 when Banks hit 56'2 3/4", only to be passed by Conley, who finished the round off with 56'10". Joyner reached 55'9 3/4" in the third round, and was comfortably ahead of Simpkins' 55'0". Joyner solidified his Olympic claim in round 5 with 56'4 3/4", while the last round saw Kimble jump his best of 55'9" for fourth, and Conley then finished things off in the gathering darkness with a whopping 57'5". Banks had started the season as America's best chance for an Olympic gold in the event, and was quickly usurped by Conley, but it turned out to be Joyner who won Olympic gold, with Conley second.

Shot Put - June 23, 18.00 Hr

1. Dave Laut (AW)	70'0 1/2" (21.35)	21.13/20.26/20.68/21.17/21.35/ x
2. Augie Wolf (Bud)	69'8 1/4" (21.24)	20.35/20.41/17.98/ x /21.24/20.84
3. Michael Carter (adi)	68'4 1/2" (20.84)	20.61/20.24/20.48/20.42/20.84/20.32
4. John Brenner (PE)	67'10 3/4" (20.69)	20.60/20.69/20.63/20.30/20.57/ x
5. Tony Harlin (NYAC)	66'9 1/4" (20.35)	
6. Gregg Tafralis (SSTC)	65'8 1/4" (20.02)	
7. Zane Hubbard (Weight City AC)	63'4 1/4" (19.31)	
8. Mike Lehmann (adi)	63'4" (19.30)	

9. Ian Pyka (SSTC) 62'11 1/4" (19.18), 10. Jesse Stuart (UCTC) 62'9 1/4" (19.13), 11. Kevin Akins (AW) 61'7 1/2" (18.78), 12. Mike Smith (SSTC) 61'1 1/4" (18.62)

Qualifying: June 23, 10.50 Hr: Carter 67'8 1/4" (20.63), Tafralis 66'4 1/2" (20.23), Laut 66'4 1/4" (20.22), Wolf 66'1 3/4" (20.16), Pyka 64'6" (19.66), Lehmann 64'5 1/4" (19.64), Hubbard 63'4 3/4" (19.32), Smith 63'1 1/2" (19.24), Harlin 62'6" (19.05), Stuart 62'5 1/4" (19.03). Non-qualifiers: Colin Anderson (UCTC) 62'0 1/2" (18.91), Milt Williams (AIA) 60'8" (18.49), Rob Suelflohn (SSTC) 60'3" (18.36), Marty Kobza (Ark) 60'1 3/4" (18.33), John Dupuis (Comm AC) 59'0" (17.98), Kelly Brooks (AIA) 57'2 1/4" (17.44), Bob Otrando (Fla) 57'0" (17.37), Gary Williky (Macc) 56'0" (17.07), Hank Kraychir (Con) - 3 fouls, Jim Doehring (SJS) and Scott Lofquist (Con) - Dnc

Having failed to bar Brian Oldfield from the 1980 OT, the TAC got their revenge this time, announcing a ban on IAAF-eligible Oldfield as far as the OT meeting was concerned as Oldfield had not had his Olympic ban lifted in relation to his former professional status. The 39 year-old Oldfield had set a US record of 72'9 3/4" four weeks earlier, and was a possible Olympic winner. Dave Laut made his team membership certain in round 1 with a 69'4" effort, which easily led superbowl bound Michael Carter (67'7 1/2") and John Brenner (67'7"). The latter moved up with 67'10 3/4" in round 2, but little else happened until round 4 when Laut improved slightly to 69'5 1/2". The giant (6'7"/280) Wolf zipped from 4th to 1st in the penultimate round with 69'8 1/4" after a 70+ foul in round 4, but Laut immediately responded with 70'0 1/2" to win. Carter also used round 5 to advantage, passing Brenner with 68'4 1/2".

Discus Throw - June 23, 17.30 Hr

1. John Powell (Bud)	220'3" (67.14)	64.62/63.54/65.54/64.90/67.14/64.86
2. Mac Wilkins (AW)	217'0" (66.14)	63.58/ x /63.78/64.10/62.88/66.14
3. Art Burns (AW)	215'0" (65.54)	59.00/57.48/60.46/65.54/ x /65.30
4. Mitch Crouser (Gresham, Or)	206'8" (63.00)	
5. Marcus Gordien (Santa Barbara, Ca)	201'9" (61.50)	
6. Greg McSeveny (SSTC)	200'4" (61.06)	
7. Pat McCulla (UCTC)	197'5" (60.18)	
8. Jay Kovar (Weight City)	197'5" (60.18)	

9. Randy Heisler (Ind Cent) 196'1" (59.76), 10. Ben Plucknett (SCS) 191'2" (58.28), 11. Scott Lofquist (Con) 190'11" (58.20), 12. Judd Binley (SSTC) 186'10" (56.94)

Qualifying: June 21, 09.30 Hr: Powell 217'5" (66.28), Wilkins 211'10" (64.56), Plucknett 207'3" (63.18), Burns 202'5" (61.70), Gordien 197'9" (60.28), McSeveny 194'2" (59.18), Binley 193'8" (59.04), McCulla 193'6" (59.00), Crouser 192'5" (58.66), Heisler 192'2" (58.58), Lofquist 190'10" (58.18), Kovar 190'10" (58.18). Non-qualifiers: Art McDermott (SSTC) 190'7" (58.10), Lance Deal (Mont St) 190'4" (58.02), Art Swarts (Shore) 189'7" (57.80), Paul Bender (SSTC) 189'0" (57.62), Jim McGoldrick (PE) 186'10" (56.94), Paul Bishop (Unat) 185'0" (56.40), Rick Meyer (SMTC) 169'4" (51.62), Jim Reardon (Ohio TC) and Kyle Jenner (UCTC) - 3 fouls, Mike Buncic (Ky) and Al Oerter (NYAC) - Dnc

The old team of Wilkins and Powell again went 1-2 in the trials, though this time it was Powell who came out on top, with Wilkins 2 feet clear of Burns. Ben Plucknett had finished third in the qualifying after a bizarre 4 year period from the previous OT, during which he had twice broken the WR, lost the WR (but not the US record) from a drugs disqualification, and missed a year's throwing prior to the trials due to a groin injury. In the final he began with a foul and didn't make the top-8. The first three were well ahead of Crouser's 206'8", though things might have been different had Al Oerter not injured himself during the TAC meeting - where he placed 6th with 206'4".

Hammer Throw - June 17, 17.00 Hr

1. Bill Green (SSTC)	240'3" (73.24)	
2. Jud Logan (UCTC)	237'9" (72.48)	
3. Ed Burke (Accu)	235'7" (71.82)	
4. Al Schoterman (UCTC)	225'9" (68.80)	
5. Peter Farmer (Bud)	223'2" (68.02)	
6. Jan DeSoto (Weight City)	220'7" (67.24)	

7. Ken Flax (Or) 217'4" (66.24)
 8. Andy Bessette (NYAC) 215'1" (65.56)
 9. Dave McKenzie (PE) 214'5" (65.36), 10. John McArdle (Or Int) 212'8" (64.82), 11. Keith Bateson (SMU) 210'6" (64.16), 12. Manny Silverio (NYAC) 206'9" (63.02)/// Qualifying: June 16, 10.20 Hr: Green 228'10" (69.76), McKenzie 227'3" (69.26), Burke 226'5" (69.02), Bessette 223'5" (68.10), Schoterman 220'5" (67.18), DeSoto 220'0" (67.06), Farmer 219'4" (66.86), McArdle 218'1" (66.48), Logan 217'10" (66.40), Bateson 212'9" (64.84), Flax 212'5" (64.74), Silverio 211'4" (64.42). Non-qualifiers: Mike Maynard (AIA) 209'10" (63.96), Pat Egan (RI) 207'8" (63.30), Bill Borden (Groton TC) 205'7" (62.66), Doug Gilliard (Atlanta TC) 205'4" (62.60), John Wolitarsky (SSTC) 205'2" (62.54), Ken Jansson (USAF) 202'4" (61.68), Steve Rohovit (CW) 200'1" (60.98), Greg Gassner (Unat) 200'0" (60.96), Phil Mann (Azusa) 200'0" (60.96), Bill Sutherland (NYAC) 199'3" (60.74), Mike Fritchman (Unat) 196'9" (59.98), Martin Littlejohn (Unat) 196'9" (59.98), Joe Briski (SDTC) 196'4" (59.84), Jeff Napolitano (Iona) 195'11" (59.72), Dave Morrison (NYAC) 195'9" (59.66), Bob Renner (AATC) 173'6" (52.88)

Not many athletes make Olympic teams 20 years apart, so it was no surprise to find Ed Burke looking like the happiest man around after the hammer. Three of Burke's throws were beyond the best of 4th place Schoterman, and he finished less than a meter and a half down on Bill Green and Jud Logan, indisputably America's top hammer men of '84. While 4 others had reached 230' - including former Australian olympian Peter Farmer with 248'11" - no-one outside the top-3 showed any real vestiges of form.

Javelin Throw - June 18, 17.10 Hr

1. Duncan Atwood (AW) 306'7" (93.44)
 2. Tom Petranoff (AW) 278'8" (84.94)
 3. Steve Roller (Weight City) 272'4" (83.00)
 4. Tom Jadwin (Tiger Int) 268'11" (81.98)
 5. Curt Ransford (PE) 268'9" (81.92)
 6. Jason Bender (SSTC) 267'0" (81.38)
 7. Bob Roggy (adi) 263'10" (80.42)
 8. Mark Anderson (adi) 250'6" (76.36)
 9. Bob Rockett (Wash) 242'8" (73.98), 10. Mike Barnett (AW) 240'6" (73.30), 11. John Amabile (adi) 218'8" (66.64), Rod Ewaliko (AW) - 3 fouls/// Qualifying: June 17, 16.00 Hr: Roggy 280'8" (85.56), Petranoff 275'1" (83.86), Atwood 270'8" (82.50), Bender 264'10" (80.72), Anderson 262'5" (79.98), Jadwin 259'10" (79.20), Roller 259'8" (79.16), Rockett 258'2" (78.68), Barnett 256'1" (78.06), Ransford 254'9" (77.66), Amabile 252'9" (77.04), Ewaliko 252'3" (76.88). Non-qualifiers: Brian Crouser (Or) 251'10" (76.76), Steve Kreider (US-A) 247'2" (75.34), Mickey Cutler (SSTC) 241'10" (73.72), Bobby George (Or) 241'0" (73.46), Paul Dubyoski (RAS AC) 238'1" (72.56), Ray Hansen (Unat) 225'8" (68.78), Steve Stockton (Unat) 223'1" (68.00), Shawn Denton (CSN) 222'6" (67.82), John Ward (Cen Ct St) 217'8" (66.34), Dave Stephens (CSN) 217'5" (66.26), Gary England (Sp Matrix) 194'1" (59.16), Perry Puccetti (USM) 192'10" (58.78), Paul Kulak (SSTC) - 3 fouls.

In 1960, the great Polish thrower Janusz Sidlo missed Olympic gold when he unleashed his best throw in the qualifying and failed to duplicate the throw in the final; in 1984, the most talented thrower in America - Bob Roggy led the qualifying round, and placed just 6th, although his best mark would have taken second place. Roggy could high jump 6'8" and throw the javelin 95 meters (and was a potential 95m man with the current implement), but he never achieved that destiny, and died 3 days before his 30th birthday on August 3, 1986 after a falling off a moving pick-up truck. After Roggy's lapse in form, the competition was lifted from anticlimax by Atwood, who, lying in 7th place towards the end of the 5th round, launched the javelin high and hard. As the javelin flew past 80m some 25 ft up, the crowd gasped, and it finally came to rest 306'7" from the foul line. Atwood later said "I thought it might be 280 or 290, but I certainly didn't think it would be a great throw..I couldn't even see the throw when I released it". Behind him, the ebullient world record-holder Tom Petranoff and Steve Roller filled the other 2 Olympic spots.

Decathlon - June 21/22

1. John Crist (AW) (4081/3) 8102
 11.37/7.27/13.93/2.03/48.30/14.91/46.44/4.60/63.34/4:28.95
 2. Tim Bright (AIA) (4049/5) 8098
 11.00/6.81/13.59/20.06/48.93/14.21/43.50/5.30/56.06/4:39.69
 3. Jim Wooding (Shore) (4103/2) 8072
 11.05/7.00/13.97/2.00/47.80/14.72/47.28/4.70/55.52/4:31.19
 4. Mike Ramos (Wash) (4036/7) 7995
 11.08/7.02/13.98/2.09/50.89/15.01/45.70/4.70/66.52/4:44.21
 5. Mike Gonzales (SSTC) (3949/13) 7960
 11.43/7.07/13.76/2.09/50.92/14.67/47.06/4.30/66.12/4:29.83
 6. Tom Harris (All Am) (3942/15) 7835
 11.32/7.19/12.86/2.00/49.18/14.87/40.74/4.10/63.68/4:24.66
 7. Jim Connolly (UCLA) (4046/6) 7771
 11.15/6.81/15.08/2.00/49.07/15.38/34.68/4.50/67.04/4:39.98

8. Steve Erickson (CNW)	(3794/22)	7767
11.54/6.76/13.79/1.97/50.14/15.24/44.84/4.60/67.18/4:33.13		
9. Lee Palles (Goodmark TC)	(3969/11)	7721
11.18/6.98/14.42/2.03/51.13/14.96/47.54/4.30/49.54/4:34.38		
10. Shannon Sullivan (USAF)	(3812/20)	7693
11.24/6.92/12.39/1.91/48.86/15.67/45.90/4.60/60.02/4:30.67		
11. Dave Johnson (Azusa)	(3947/14)	7670
11.15/6.69/13.56/2.03/49.18/14.80/37.58/3.90/71.58/4:37.61		
12. Scott Daniels (Unat)	(3856/17)	7663
11.45/7.02/14.45/1.88/49.53/15.29/44.90/4.30/56.36/4:26.97		
13. Wes Herbst (Unat)	7639	33. Tony Allen-Cooksey (Outreach)
14. Grant Niederhaus (UCLA)	7636	(9) 7057
15. Steve Jacobs (SSTC)	7615	34. Heinz Hinrichs (unat)
16. Jon Hallingstad (US-A)	7614	(9) 6902
17. Gary Kinder (Unat)	7595	35. Jeff Montpas (Unat)
18. Mike Brown (Outreach)	7584	(9) 6843
19. Stan Vegar (SDTC)	7525	36. Fred Dixon (AIA)
20. Jim Schnur (Unat)	7491	(8) 6241
21. Lane Maestretti (Outr)	7434	37. Willy Pirtle (Va TC)
22. David Saye (Unat)	7430	(9) 6042
23. Ed Brown (Outreach)	7404	38. Mike Moore (Coastguard)
24. Bob Stebbins (Mount TC)	7390	(8) 5885
25. Gary Armstrong (AIA)	7389	39. Gary Bastien (PE)
26. Jim Howell (Con)	7389	(7) 5143
27. Tim Taft (AMC Theaters)	7367	40. Bob Baker (Outreach)
28. Jay Novacek (Wyoming)	7327	(7) 5141
29. Owen Buckley (Unat)	7207	41. Doug Chapman (Unat)
30. Tom Leutz (NDSU)	7206	(7) 4953
31. Marty Neibauer (Unat)	7165	42. Keith Stewart (W Tex)
32. Orville Peterson (Camp)	7124	(8) 4880
		43. Mark Anderson (W Class)
		(6) 4502
		44. Rob Muzzio (GM)
		(5) 4059
		45. Frank Harrison (Shore)
		(4) 3084
		46. Ken Terry (All Am)
		(4) 2838
		47. John Sayre (Sn III TC)
		(4) 2753
		48. Dannie Jackson (SSTC)
		(3) 2299
		49. Gary Gefre (SW Stars)
		(3) 2183
		50. Eric Lammi (Unat)
		(3) 2093
		51. Joe Schneider (Outreach)
		(3) 1919

Greg Culp (AbC) (1) 731, Pete Mansur (Fresno St) (1) 679, Greg Veatch (SCS) - Injured 1st event, Keith Robinson (Con) - Dnc.

An overlage field of 55 athletes started the event, and at the end of day 1 the leaders were: Dixon 4104, Wooding 4103, Crist 4081, Muzzio 4059, Bright 4049, Connolly 4046, Ramos 4036 and Peterson 4014. Things change very quickly in a decathlon - Muzzio didn't appear for day 2 after an asthma attack, and in the discus Dixon fouled out of his final decathlon with a 170+ throw and Connolly produced a very weak effort after 2 fouls. Dixon left the stadium depressed, but later returned to complete the event - "I made the right decision" he said afterwards. Peterson injured himself on the second day, and struggled through the 1500 in just under 10 minutes. Ramos was in third with just the 1500 to go, but he lost 13 seconds to the surprising Wooding, who had 4 pbs over the 10-event haul. Crist had trained during the winter with Daley Thompson, while Bright had only worked at the decathlon for 9 months.

WOMEN

Again, exhibition events were held, with the winners being Julie Brown (5000m - 15:39.50), Joan Benoit (10000m - 32:07.41) and Esther Lopez (10000m Walk - 50:41.18).

100 Meters - June 18, 18.35 Hr (-0.6w)

1. Evelyn Ashford (PE)	11.18
2. Alice Brown (TWC)	11.20
3. Jeanette Bolden (TWC)	11.24
4. Diane Williams (PE)	11.34
5. Randy Givens (Bud)	11.35
6. Jackie Washington (adi)	11.56
7. Angela Thacker (PE)	11.64
8. Wenda Vereen (Trenton Central HS, NJ)	11.87

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 18, 16.00 Hr

<u>1/</u>	1. Williams 11.36, 2. Washington 11.43, 3. Ashford 11.43, 4. Vereen 11.69, 5. Michelle Finn (Bud) 11.61, 6. Michelle Glover (Tig Int) 11.61, 7. Mary Bolden (Tenn) 11.62, 8. Kathrene Wallace (TSU) 11.64 (-0.4w)
<u>2/</u>	1. Brown 11.18, 2. Bolden 11.26, 3. Thacker 11.45, 4. Givens 11.49, 5. LaShon Nedd (TWC) 11.51, 6. Donna Dennis (PE) 11.60, 7. Lisa Hopkins (PE) 11.61, 8. Zelda Johnson (SC Cheetahs) 11.69 (+0.6w)

Quarter-finals - first 4 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 17, 16.35 Hr

- 1/ 1. Brown 11.29, 2. Thacker 11.57, 3. Washington 11.60, 4. Vereen 11.69, 5. Glover 11.69, 6. Inger Peterson (LAM) 11.70, 7. Kim Jamison (BG) 11.80, 8. Monica Taylor (SC Cheetahs) 11.91 (-0.6w)
- 2/ 1. Ashford 11.24, 2. Williams 11.30, 3. Givens 11.40, 4. Hopkins 11.61, 5. Dennis 11.63, 6. Johnson 11.67, 7. Davera Taylor (Ia) 11.91, 8. Elaine Jones (Roos) 12.09 (-1.0w)
- 3/ 1. J.Bolden 11.38, 2. M.Bolden 11.46, 3. Wallace 11.58, 4. Nedd 11.60, 5. Finn 11.62, 6. Barbara Bell (NM) 11.83, 7. Clotee Cowans (LWC) 11.83, 8. Teri Smajstrla (Texas) 11.98 (-0.8w)

Heats - first 5 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 17, 11.40 Hr

- 1/ 1. J.Bolden 11.32, 2. Washington 11.44, 3. Hopkins 11.63, 4. Bell 11.75, 5. Taylor 11.76, 6. Smajstrla 11.77, 7. Cowans 11.79, Jones 11.83 (+0.1w)
- 2/ 1. Ashford 11.29, 2. Glover 11.56, 3. Finn 11.61, 4. Dennis 11.65, 5. Taylor 11.81, 6. Vivien McKenzie (Iowa) 11.86, 7. Andra Gill (IP) 11.98, Gwen Torrence (Ga) - Dnc
- 3/ 1. Brown 11.25, 2. Williams 11.25, 3. M.Bolden 11.48, 4. Vereen 11.50, 5. Johnson 11.66, 6. Jamison 11.84, 7. Dawn Sowell (Richmond TC) 11.85, 8. Sandra Howard (PE) 11.94 (-0.3w)
- 4/ 1. Wallace 11.47, 2. Givens 11.64, 3. Thacker 11.66, 4. Nedd 11.69, 5. Peterson 11.77, 6. Susan Schurr (Texas) 11.93, 7. Tammy Henderson (WV) 12.08, 8. Robin Simmons (IP) 12.09 (-0.7w)

Evelyn Ashford had spectacularly pulled a muscle in the 1983 world championships and just before the trials felt a twinge in her right hamstring. It was clear that she was suffering in her semi-final, but with massage she turned up for the final, and after Brown and Bolden started quickly Ashford gradually closed in and caught Brown in the last few strides. Williams in 4th beat Givens by 1/1000th for the final relay spot.

200 Meters - June 22, 17.55 Hr (-0.2w)

4	1. Valerie Brisco-Hooks (TWC)	22.16
7	2. Florence Griffith (TWC)	22.40
6	3. Randy Givens (Bud)	22.59
5	4. Brenda Cliette (Bud)	22.81
1	5. Mary Bolden (Tenn)	23.15
8	6. Diane Dixon (Atoms)	23.32
3	7. Dannette Young (Ala A&M)	23.49
2	8. Donna Dennis (PE)	23.55

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 22, 16.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Griffith 22.31w, 2. Brisco-Hooks 22.54, 3. Dixon 23.31, 4. Young 23.32, 5. Gervaise McGraw (SC Cheetahs) 23.33, 6. Janet Davis (Bud) 23.46, 7. Zelda Johnson (SC Cheetahs) 23.78, Pam Marshall (CA) - Dnf (+2.1w)
- 2/ 1. Givens 22.66, 2. Cliette 23.04, 3. M.Bolden 23.13, 4. Dennis 23.57, 5. LaShon Nedd (TWC) 23.60, 6. Wenda Vereen (Trenton HS, NJ) 23.67, 7. Donna King (KS) 24.03, Chandra Cheeseborough (AW) - Dnc

Quarter-finals - first 4 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 21, 18.30 Hr

- 1/ 1. Givens 22.67, 2. Marshall 22.78, 3. Cliette 23.12, 4. Dennis 23.61, 5. King 23.70, 6. Michelle Collins (Ms Int) 23.95, 7. Michelle Morris (LSU) 23.96, 8. Clotee Cowans (LWC) 23.99 (+0.4w)
- 2/ 1. Brisco-Hooks 22.47, 2. Griffith 22.59, 3. McGraw 23.49, 4. Nedd 23.51, 6. Vereen 23.65, 7. Merry Johnson (Metro Str) 23.96 (+0.9w)
- 3/ 1. Cheeseborough 22.94, 2. M.Bolden 23.44, 3. Dixon 23.46, 4. Young 23.66, 5. Davis 23.83, 6. Lisa Hopkins (PE) 23.94, 7. Tammy Henderson (WV) 24.45, 8. Teri Smajstrla (Texas) 24.81 (+0.2w)

Heats - first 5 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 21, 10.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Young 23.46, 2. Marshall 23.46, 3. Cowans 24.25, 4. Smajstrla 24.50, Inger Peterson (IP), Jackie Washington (adi) and Diane Williams (PE) - Dnc (-0.6w)
- 2/ 1. Cheeseborough 23.20, 2. Brisco-Hooks 23.25, 3. M.Bolden 23.34, 4. Dennis 23.67, 5. Z.Johnson 23.73, 6. Davis 23.77, 7. Janet Dodson (Ms Int) 24.23 (-0.1w)
- 3/ 1. Griffith 22.97, 2. Cliette 23.27, 3. Dixon 23.58, 4. McGraw 23.81, 5. King 23.85, 6. Hopkins 23.87, 7. M.Johnson 24.08, 8. Morris 24.09 (-0.3w)
- 4/ 1. Givens 22.91, 2. Vereen 23.56, 3. Nedd 23.61, 4. Henderson 24.05, 5. Collins 24.11, 6. Tara Mastin (Hous) 24.14, 7. Susan Schurr (Texas) 24.54, Evelyn Ashford (PE) - Dnf (+0.2w)

Evelyn Ashford failed to finish her heat, wisely not risking an Olympic 100m gold when her hamstring acted up halfway round the

curve, while Pam Marshall failed to finish her semi-final. The diminished field further reduced when Chandra Cheeseborough didn't turn out for her semi-final. The final still turned out to be an excellent race, with 400 qualifier Brisco-Hooks taking an early lead over Griffith, and Cliette in third ahead of Givens. Brisco-Hooks used her 400 strength to move steadily away from Griffith to win by 2 meters in 22.16 making her the #3 US performer all-time, with Givens finishing fast to easily take third place. Griffith won the fashion stakes, wearing a green bodysuit, after being similarly clad in pink for the semi-final.

400 Meters - June 19, 17.20 Hr

5	1. Chandra Cheeseborough (AW)	49.28	AR	23.8/25.5
3	2. Valerie Brisco-Hooks (TWC)	49.79		23.0/26.8
6	3. Lillie Leatherwood (NB)	50.19		24.4/25.8
8	4. Sherri Howard (PE)	50.40		23.5/26.9
7	5. Denean Howard (PE)	51.05		24.0/27.1
4	6. Florence Griffith (TWC)	51.11		23.8/27.4
1	7. Diane Dixon (Atoms)	51.26		23.9/27.4
2	8. Roberta Belle (PE)	51.26		24.7/26.6

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 18, 17.35 Hr

- 1/ 1. Cheeseborough 50.41, 2. Dixon 51.42, 3. Belle 51.56, 4. Griffith 51.77, 5. Alice Jackson (Atoms) 51.90, 6. Merry Johnson (Metro Str) 52.35, 7. Kelia Bolton (PE) 52.38, 8. Robin Coleman (Con) 53.46
- 2/ 1. Brisco-Hooks 50.70, 2. S.Howard 50.97, 3. D.Howard 51.49, 4. Leatherwood 51.63, 5. Brenda Cliette (Bud) 52.16, 6. Gwen Gardner (LAM) 52.32, 7. Ros Bryant (PE) 52.71, 8. Easter Gabriel (PV) 53.62

Quarter-finals - first 4 qualify, June 17, 11.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Brisco-Hooks 51.77, 2. Griffith 51.78, 3. Cliette 51.92, 4. Leatherwood 52.09, 5. Belle 52.17, 6. Coleman 52.79, 7. Emerson 52.88, 8. Michelle Morris (LSU) 53.85
- 2/ 1. Cheeseborough 50.87, 2. Dixon 51.52, 3. Jackson 52.30, 4. Gabriel 52.47, 5. Gardner 52.64, 6. Sharon Dabney (PE) 53.33, 7. Rosalyn Dunlap (Mo) 53.54, 8. Joyce Wilson (ACC) 53.66
- 3/ 1. D.Howard 51.83, 2. S.Howard 51.84, 3. Bolton 52.42, 4. Johnson 52.60, 5. Bryant 52.63, 6. Renee Chambers-Ross (SDS) 53.32, 7. Choo choo Knighten (Unat) 53.68, 8. Loretta Edwards (Unat) 53.71

Heats - first 5 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 16, 11.55 Hr

- 1/ 1. Brisco-Hooks 51.67, 2. Belle 52.58, 3. Chambers-Ross 52.72, 4. Coleman 52.99, 5. Gardner 53.15, 6. Edwards 53.50, 7. Knighten 53.85
- 2/ 1. Cheeseborough 51.81, 2. Dixon 52.19, 3. Bolton 52.60, 4. M.Johnson 53.53, 5. Gabriel 53.71, 6. Wilson 53.91, 7. Delphina Banks (PE) 54.66
- 3/ 1. D.Howard 52.23, 2. Cliette 52.37, 3. Emerson 52.32, 4. Bryant 53.34, 5. Leatherwood 53.40, 6. Morris 54.39, 7. Joy Hutchings (SW Texas) 54.97
- 4/ 1. S.Howard 52.07, 2. Jackson 52.86, 3. Dabney 53.09, 4. Dunlap 53.15, 5. Griffith 53.62, 6. Terri Turner (Texas) 54.74

This was clearly going to be a duel between US record-holder Brisco-Hooks (49.83), and Chandra Cheeseborough (50.52). Cheeseborough improved her best to 50.41 in her semi-final. Alice Jackson ran a pb 51.90, but it wasn't good enough to make the final, with 51.77 by 200 runner Florence Griffith being the slowest qualifier. Brisco-Hooks had the better draw in the final, occupying lane 3, two inside Cheeseborough, but she squandered the advantage by burning the first half in 23.0, with only Sherri Howard within 6 yards. Cheeseborough made up 5 yards on the curve and quickly caught Brisco in the straight, pulling away gradually to a 4 yard win in a new US record, with Brisco-Hooks also beating the old record. Cheeseborough earned her final Olympic selection with this run, and with her 2 wins, 2 second places and a third, has not been surpassed by any female sprinter in the history of the Trials.

800 Meters - June 19, 17.35 Hr

1.	Kim Gallagher (PE)	1:58.50
2.	Ruth Wysocki (Brooks)	1:59.34
3.	Robin Campbell (PE)	1:59.77
4.	Diana Richburg (Gazelle Int)	2:01.18
5.	Cynthia Warner (LAM)	2:02.16
6.	Claudette Groenendaal (Or)	2:02.20
7.	Delisa Floyd (adi)	2:08.27
8.	Essie Washington (AW)	Dnf

Semi-finals - first 3 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 17, 16.55 Hr

- 1/ 1. Gallagher 1:59.28, 2. Wysocki 1:59.48, 3. Washington 2:00.35, 4. Warner 2:00.48, 5. Floyd 2:00.94, 6. Sue Addison (AW) 2:00.98, 7. Louise Romo (Cal) 2:01.59, 8. Annette Campbell (Tig Int) 2:09.73

- 2/ 1. Campbell 2:01.17, 2. Richburg 2:01.48, 3. Groenendaal 2:01.51, 4. Chris Gregorek (AW) 2:01.52, 5. Rose Monday (PE) 2:03.45, 6. Gail Conway (USAF) 2:04.04, 7. Joetta Clark (Atoms) 2:04.63, 8. Lee Arbogast (AW) 2:06.70

Heats - first 4 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 16, 16.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Gallagher 2:00.83, 2. Groenendaal 2:02.56, 3. Floyd 2:02.79, 4. Washington 2:03.16, 5. A.Campbell 2:03.42, 6. Doriane Lambelet (AW) 2:05.17, 7. Karol Davidson (Knox TC) 2:07.44
- 2/ 1. Richburg 2:01.32, 2. Warner 2:01.49, 3. Gregorek 2:01.51, 4. Conway 2:01.70, 5. Romo 2:02.17, 6. Monday 2:03.21, 7. Debbie Roberson (Ms Int) 2:04.90, 8. Michelle Hopper (PE) 2:09.97
- 3/ 1. R.Campbell 2:01.75, 2. Wysocki 2:02.49, 3. Addison 2:02.65, 4. Arbogast 2:02.86, 5. Clark 2:02.89, 6. Kim Kelly (Va) 2:05.25, 7. Veronica McIntosh (Vill) 2:05.48, 8. Tara Arnold (Texas) 2:07.35

The semi-finals gave notice of what was to come, as both Gallagher and Wysocki ran lifetime bests; Sue Addison had the galling experience of running 2:00.98, a time quick enough to have made all but the '76 Olympic squad, but didn't qualify for the final. The slower semi saw Robin Campbell winning in 2:01.17, with Chris Gregorek 3 meters back missing out on the final by 2/100ths. Gallagher had run her first 400 in her semi in 57.7, but the surprise was that Wysocki, a big kicker, led in the final with 57.1. Gallagher cut loose at the 600m mark and led by 10m into the straight. Wysocki closed 3 meters, but Gallagher ran out an easy winner and became #3 American of all-time with her 1:58.50. Campbell finished fast, after accidentally treading on Washington's heel, and became the first American to run a third-place time under 2:00.

1500 Meters - June 24, 18.30 Hr

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| 1. Ruth Wysocki (Brooks) | 4:00.18 |
| 2. Mary Decker (AW) | 4:00.40 |
| 3. Diana Richburg (Gazelle Int) | 4:04.07 |
| 4. Missy Kane (adi) | 4:06.47 |
| 5. Sue Addison (AW) | 4:06.91 |
| 6. Darlene Beckford (Liberty AC) | 4:07.42 |
| 7. Louise Romo (Cal) | 4:09.29 |
| 8. Chris Gregorek (AW) | 4:09.43 |
9. Kim Gallagher (PE) 4:13.99, 10. Regina Jacobs (PE) 4:22.47, 11. Jill Haworth (AW) 4:25.87, 12. Lee Arbogast (AW) 4:35.77

Semi-finals - first 5 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 22, 17.25 Hr

- 1/ 1. Decker 4:09.05, 2. Addison 4:09.93, 3. Beckford 4:10.46, 4. Gregorek 4:10.96, 5. Arbogast 4:11.15, 6. Jacobs 4:11.33, 7. Linda Goen (CW) 4:17.22, 8. Sue Girard (Gtn) 4:19.11, 9. Julie Lantis (Ill) 4:22.43
- 2/ 1. Gallagher 4:10.81, 2. Richburg 4:11.64, 3. Wysocki 4:12.85, 4. Kane 4:13.33, 5. Romo 4:13.96, 6. Haworth 4:14.59, 7. Claudette Groenendaal (Or) 4:17.76, 8. Mary Ellen McGowan (Vill) 4:19.37, Linda Detlefsen (Nike) - Dnf

Heats - first 4 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, June 21, 11.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Decker 4:13.70, 2. Addison 4:14.13, 3. Kane 4:14.53, 4. Romo 4:14.70, 5. Girard 4:16.52, 6. Suzanne Foster (Nike) 4:23.85, 7. Michelle Hopper (PE) 4:25.19
- 2/ 1. Gallagher 4:19.52, 2. Wysocki 4:19.64, 3. Gregorek 4:19.87, 4. Arbogast 4:20.15, 5. Goen 4:21.72, 6. Detlefsen 4:22.76, 7. Michelle Bush (Roos) 4:23.19, 8. Renee Odom (Hous Harriers) 4:23.35
- 3/ 1. Richburg 4:15.88, 2. Jacobs 4:15.92, 3. Beckford 4:15.97, 4. Haworth 4:15.99, 5. Groenendaal 4:17.84, 6. McGowan 4:19.92, 7. Lantis 4:22.18. Jody Eder (Minn) - Dnc

Mary Decker had suffered through a series of injuries until her glorious 1983 season when she won a memorable double over 1500/3000m in the world championships, and she had dominated the OT 3000 the previous day. She had carefully controlled her heat and semi-final and was a clear favorite...and lost in the biggest surprise of the '84 trials. Decker led as usual, but the field stayed with her through laps of 65.2/66.3/64.7, until halfway down the final backstraight Wysocki went from fourth to first, but Decker reacted, holding the inside lane and regaining the lead around the curve. Wysocki edged in front with 50m to go and her lead increased from 2 ft to a yard and a half as Decker gave up the struggle in the last couple of strides. It was Decker's first loss to Wysocki since the '78 AAU 800m, and her first to any American for 4 years. Decker, who was never one to decline a chance to whinge, allowed that she was pleased for Wysocki and then complained that "the schedule is unfair...I had to run 6 times in 5 days". Wysocki echoed the feelings of many watching - "I'm sure Mary never expected to see me there".

3000 Meters - June 23, 18.40 Hr

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| 1. Mary Decker (AW) | 8:34.91 |
| 2. Cindy Bremser (Wisc United) | 8:41.19 |
| 3. Joan Hansen (AW) | 8:41.43 |
| 4. Cathy Branta (Wisc United) | 8:49.94 |

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| 5. Francie Larrieu-Smith (NB) | 8:50.85 |
| 6. PattiSue Plumer (PE) | 8:57.02 |
| 7. Mary Knisely (Roos) | 8:58.90 |
| 8. Cathie Twomey (AW) | 9:06.71 |
9. Maggie Keyes (AW) 9:15.81, 10. Sabrina Dornhoefer (Mo) 9:15.92, 11. Brenda Webb (adi) 9:18.02, 12. Eleanor Simonsick (Moving Comfort) 9:24.68

Semi-finals - first 5 plus 2 fastest losers qualify, June 21, 19.20 Hr

- 1/ 1. Bremser 8:48.51, 2. Hansen 8:52.53, 3. Larrieu-Smith 8:54.60, 4. Plumer 8:54.91, 5. Webb 8:55.15, 6. Twomey 8:59.66, 7. Betty Springs (AW) 9:01.28, 8. Jan Merrill (Age Group AA) 9:05.73, 9. Kathy Hayes (Or) 9:06.14, 10. Maureen Cogan 9:19.10
- 2/ 1. Decker 8:56.12, 2. Branta 8:58.92, 3. Knisely 8:58.95, 4. Dornhoefer 8:59.25, 5. Simonsick 8:59.48, 6. Keyes 8:59.50, 7. Lynn Nelson (Ariz St) 9:09.76, 8. Shelly Steely (Fla) 9:14.39, 9. Joan Nesbit (NC) 9:16.32, Deborah Pihl (Unat) - Dnf

Heats - first 5 plus 5 fastest losers qualify, June 19, 11.10 Hr

- 1/ 1. Bremser 9:01.28, 2. Merrill 9:05.68, 3. Knisely 9:05.85, 4. Keyes 9:08.25, 5. Plumer 9:10.17, 6. Hayes 9:11.26, 7. Nesbit 9:15.91, 8. Lynn Jennings (Liberty AC) 9:56.94, Lesley Welch (Boston U TC) - Dnc
- 2/ 1. Decker 9:07.90, 2. Larrieu-Smith 9:08.89, 3. Hansen 9:08.90, 4. Simonsick 9:10.17, 5. Steely 9:10.26, 6. Nelson 9:16.01, 7. Jody Eder (Minn) 9:20.41, 8. Renee Odom (Hous Harriers) 9:21.54, 9. Becky Cotta (Roos) 9:37.46
- 3/ 1. Branta 9:14.69, 2. Pihl 9:14.80, 3. Twomey 9:14.89, 4. Webb 9:14.97, 5. Dornhoefer 9:15.04, 6. Sprimngs 9:15.32, 7. Cogan 9:17.50, Sue Foster (Nike) and Jenny Stricker (Unat) - Dnc

Decker was clearly the class of the field, and she stamped her mark on the field in the opening lap, covered in 66.3. She passed 1000m in 2:48.8 before slowing to 2:57.7 in the second kilometer, but maintained a 40m lead. She sped up again in the final kilo, running 2:48.5 with a strong last 400m in 63.5 to win by 40 meters. Behind her Bremser outpaced Hansen for second after Larrieu-Smith and Hansen had broken clear of Decker's supporting cast with just over 2 laps to go; Larrieu-Smith timed her break far too early, and eventually conceded 4th place to Branta.

Marathon - Olympia, Washington - May 12

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| 1. Joan Benoit (AW) | 2:31:04 |
| 2. Julie Brown (adi) | 2:31:41 |
| 3. Julie Ispording (Con) | 2:32:26 |
| 4. Lisa Larsen (Sauc) | 2:33:10 |
| 5. Margaret Groos (AW) | 2:33:38 |
| 6. Janice Eittle (GTTC) | 2:33:41 |
| 7. Nancy Ditz (adi) | 2:33:52 |
| 8. Martha White (LAC) | 2:34:09 |
| 9. Cathy Schiro (HS Dover, N.H.) | 2:34:24 |
| 10. Sue King (NB) | 2:34:29 |

31 under 2:40, 50th - 2:43:01, 100th - 2:49:16// 108 under 2:50, 150th: 2:54:33, 164 under 3:00// 196 finishers, 42 non-finishers, 28 non-starters

Joan Benoit, as the holder of the world's best for the event - 2:22:43 at Boston in '83, was the hot favorite, but even she was a little surprised to find herself leading after only 1 1/4 miles, particularly after she had surgery on her right knee 2 1/2 weeks earlier. Sharing the lead with Betty Springs, Benoit passed 12 miles in 1:07:12 with Lisa Larsen a quarter of a minute back, and Julie Brown another 18 seconds in arrears. By halfway Benoit had broken Springs, and she maintained her advantage over Brown all the way to the finish. Brown showed her remarkable versatility in making the marathon team, after qualifying for the 800/1500 squads in 1980. Larsen stayed in third until the 25th mile, when she was caught by Ispording, who had been 45th quickest of the entrants. Benoit went on to become the first womens' Olympic marathon winner in a time of 2:24:52 - superb running in the 800 heat of Los Angeles. The following year she ran 2:21:06, a world's best for more than a decade.

100 Meters Hurdles - June 23, 18.15 Hr (-0.9w)

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| 1. Kim Turner (Bud) | 13.12 |
| 2. Benita Fitzgerald (adi) | 13.13 |
| 3. Pam Page (PE) | 13.13 |
| 4. Stephanie Hightower (Bud) | 13.13 |
| 5. Candy Young (PE) | 13.26 |
| 6. Pat Davis (St Aug) | 13.40 |
| 7. Linda Weekly (Atoms) | 13.54 |
| 8. Arnita Epps (TSU) | 13.80 |

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 23, 16.20 Hr

- 1/ 1. Page 13.29, 2. Young 13.40, 3. Weekly 13.44, 4. Epps 13.56, 5. Rhonda Blandford (PE) 13.58, 6. Sharifa Sanders (Roos) 13.73, 7. Jackie Washington (PE) 13.77, 8. Missy Jerald (TWC) 13.95 (-0.8w)
- 2/ 1. Hightower 12.94, 2. Fitzgerald (adi) 12.97, 3. Turner 13.01, 4. Davis 13.45, 5. Deby Smith (CA) 13.51, 6. Tonya Lowe (Ky) 13.56, 7. Gayle Watkins (SC Cheetahs) 13.67, 8. Lori Smith (adi) 13.76 (+0.8w)

Heats - first 3 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 22, 09.30 Hr

- 1/ 1. Hightower 13.43, 2. Lowe 13.67, 3. Watkins 13.72, 4. Washington 13.75, 5. LaVonna Martin (Northwest TC) 13.84, 6. Cece Chandler (CPSLO) 13.89, 7. Laura Lim (Roos) 13.91 (-1.3w)
- 2/ 1. Fitzgerald 13.34, 2. Blandford 13.48, 3. D.Smith 13.51, 4. Sanders 13.69, 5. Davis 13.73, 6. Brady 13.86, 7. Marlene Harmon (PE) 14.49 (+1.5w)
- 3/ 1. Page 13.07, 2. Turner 13.10, 3. Epps 13.47, 4. Lori Smith (adi) 13.66, Delores Gibbs (Sterling OP), Claire Hairston (Aub) and Pat Lavallias (Hous) - Dnc (+1.5w)
- 4/ 1. Weekly 13.48, 2. Young 13.49, 3. Jerald 13.73, 4. Karen Cannon (CA) 13.98, 5. Rhonda Scott (SOU) 14.10, 6. Lillian Cole (Ala St TC) 14.13, 7. Rosalind Pendergraft (Aub) 14.48 (+0.5w)

Stephanie Hightower, winner of the '80 trials, and '84 TAC champion was the favorite, ahead of TAC runner-up Fitzgerald and NCAA winner Turner. That was evidenced in the second semi-final as they went 1-2-3. The other semi was won in 13.29 in less favorable wind conditions. Hightower and Turner took a slight lead after the first hurdle, and Fitzgerald edged close as the race progressed. Page closed like a dervish over the last 2 hurdles, and as they went across the line the winner was..who exactly ? A group of journalists and fans seated above the finish tried to pick the correct order for the top-4, and 1 of 15 (Howard Willman of "Track and Field News") got it right. It was the closest finish ever for a major outdoor race; certainly Hightower could not have believed in her worst nightmare that she would have missed winning by 0.01 and yet not make the team. Fitzgerald went on to win the Olympic title emphasizing the small margins between the highest athletic success, and supposed failure.

400 Meters Hurdles - June 21, 16.25 Hr

5	1. Judi Brown (Nik)	54.93	AR
7	2. Angie Wright (Bud)	55.33	
6	3. Sharrieffa Barksdale (adi)	55.58	
1	4. Lori McCauley (adi)	55.60	
4	5. Leslie Maxie (Mills HS, Millbrae, Ca)	55.66	
8	6. Edna Brown (Atoms)	56.78	
3	7. Robin Marks (LWC)	56.86	
2	8. Piper Bressant (Fla)	56.93	

Semi-finals - first 4 qualify, June 19, 16.20 Hr

- 1/ 1. McCauley 55.61, 2. Wright 56.00, 3. Barksdale 56.25, 4. Bressant 56.48, 5. Latanya Sheffield (Macc) 56.62, 6. Colleen Cozzetto (Moscow USA) 57.15, 7. Sybil Perry (Roos) 57.22, 8. Kathy Freeman (SOU) 57.95
- 2/ 1. J.Brown 55.66, 2. Maxie 55.92, 3. Marks 56.42, 4. E.Brown 57.02, 5. Patty Bradley (Vill) 57.04, 6. Lexie Beck (CA) 57.36, 7. Leisa Davis (Ok St) 58.49, 8. Evalene Hatcher (Unat) 60.62

Heats - first 3 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, June 18, 09.30 Hr

- 1/ 1. Maxie 56.48, 2. Bressant 57.40, 3. Davis 57.51, 4. Perry 57.86, 5. Tonja Brown (TWC) 59.74, 6. Gayle Kellon (SC Cheetahs) 60.25, 7. Lisa Nicholson (Or) 61.37
- 2/ 1. McCauley 56.15, 2. E.Brown 57.66, 3. Wright 57.80, 4. Hatcher 57.91, 5. Debbie Grant (Vill) 59.21, 6. Stella Edwinson (ML) 59.37, 7. Michelle Taylor (SC Che) 59.48
- 3/ 1. Barksdale 56.56, 2. Bradley 56.60, 3. Marks 57.36, 4. Beck 57.74, 5. Sally Andersen (Unat) 58.42, 6. Chris Crowther (Fla) 58.94, 7. Shannon Vessup (NM) 59.34, 8. Margaret Gamble (Tig Int) 62.33
- 4/ 1. J.Brown 56.33, 2. Sheffield 56.69, 3. Cozzetto 56.69, 4. Freeman 57.84, 5. Susan Shreckhise (Shenandoah Valley) 58.66, 6. Rachel Clary (Hous) 58.81, 7. Maria Shoup (W Mich TC) 60.15, 8. Sametra King (Romeoville HS, Ill) 67.38

Judi Brown had become the first American to run under 55 seconds when winning the TAC two weeks earlier, and here she improved her best by 0.06 to win with 54.93 after a strong stretch run which took her away from Angie Wright, Barksdale, McCauley and expected team member Leslie Maxie. All except Maxie ran lifetime bests and places 1 and 3-5 on the US all-time list were achieved here. "I had an awful race. My steps weren't right..I haven't eaten right in the last 4 days...it's just good to get it over" - not one of the non team members but Judi Brown after her US record win.

High Jump - June 23, 16.00 Hr

1. Louise Ritter (PCC) 6'3 1/2" (1.92)

2. Pam Spencer (PE)	6'2 1/4" (1.89)
3. Joni Huntley (PCC)	6'2 1/4" (1.89)
4. Katrena Johnson (PE)	6'1 1/4" (1.86)
5. Mary Moore (adi)	6'1 1/4" (1.86)
6. Phyllis Blunston (adi)	6'1 1/4" (1.86)
7. Lisa Bernhagen (Unat)	6'0" (1.83)
8. Shelley Ferhrman (adi)	5'10 3/4" (1.80)
8. Debra Larsen (Nike)	5'10 3/4" (1.80)

10. Cindy Greiner (AW) 5'10 3/4" (1.80), =11. Frances Calcutt (Oh TC) & Sue McNeal (CPSLO) 5'10 3/4" (1.80), 13. Tonya Alston (UCLA) 5'10 3/4" (1.80), 14. Yolanda Jones (SMTC) 5'9 3/4" (1.77)

Qualifying: June 22, 11.20 Hr: Bernhagen, Calcutt, Huntley, Johnson, McNeal, Moore, Spencer all cleared 6'1 1/4" (1.86), and the other 7 qualifiers cleared 6'0" (1.83). Non-qualifiers: Wendy Brown (PE), Jan Chesbro (Unat), Rita Graves (KS), and Bonnie Harrington (Ball St) 5'10 3/4" (1.80), Kym Carter (SMTC), Jane Clough (Okla St), Camille Harding (Ariz), Wendy Markham (Bud) and Carina Westover (Or St) 5'9 3/4" (1.77). Ann Bair (adi) and Janet Nichols (CPP) - no height

There was little drama, for while 6 cleared 6'1 1/4", only 3 - Ritter, Huntley and Spencer were able to make the next height of 6'2 1/4". All 3 were previous Olympians - Huntley in '76, Ritter in '80 and Spencer both times. Ritter then went on to take the next height, but after the other two failed she declined to jump further, wanting to save herself for the Olympics - where she finished 8th, three places ahead of Spencer but five behind Huntley.

Long Jump - June 24, 18.00 Hr

1. Carol Lewis (SMTC)	22'7 1/4"	(6.89) +0.3w	x / x /6.49/6.79/6.89/6.89
2. Jackie Joyner (TWC)	21'10"	(6.65) -0.5w	6.37/6.49/ x /6.24/6.48/6.65
3. Angela Thacker (PE)	21'6 1/4"	(6.56) -0.5w	
4. Jodi Anderson (PE)	21'2 1/2"	(6.46) +0.4w	
5. Donna Thomas (Unat, Ft Worth)	20'10 3/4"	(6.37) +0.2w	
6. Kathy McMillan (CA)	20'9 1/4"	(6.33) -0.4w	
7. Wendy Brown (PE)	20'5 1/4"	(6.23) +0.8w	
8. Janet Yarbrough (Unat, Clovis, Ca)	20'3 3/4"	(6.19) 0.0w	

9. Gwen Loud (Hawaii) 20'2 1/4" (6.15) -0.4w, 10. Sabrina Williams (CA) 19'10 3/4" (6.06) -0.5w, 11. Carla Seldon (Ang St) 19'9 3/4" (6.04) +0.3w, 12. Meledy Smith (PE) 19'9 3/4" (6.04) +1.9w/// Qualifying: June 23, 18.00 Hr: Lewis 22'4 1/2" (6.82), Thacker 21'4 1/4" (6.51), Thomas 20'8 1/2" (6.31), Joyner 20'8" (6.30), Loud 20'8" (6.30), Seldon 20'7 3/4" (6.29), McMillan 20'7" (6.27), Anderson 20'6 1/4" (6.25), Williams 20'5" (6.22), Smith 20'3 3/4" (6.19), Yarbrough 20'3 1/2" (6.18). Non-qualifiers: Sheila Nicks (UNLV) 20'2 1/4" (6.15), Shiri Milton (PE) 20'1 3/4" (6.14), Sabrina Douglas (St Aug) 20'1" (6.12), Brenda Bailey (Howard TC) 20'1" (6.12), Marlene Harmon (PE) 19'11 3/4" (6.09), Veronica Bell (SC Cheetahs) 19'10 3/4" (6.06), Pat Johnson (Pollitabs) 19'10 1/4" (6.05), Anna Van (Ariz St) 19'8" (5.99), Evalene Hatcher (Unat) 19'6 1/2" (5.96), Claire Connor (Rahway HS, NJ) 19'2" (5.84), Deirdre Jackson (PV) 18'11 1/2" (5.78), Kathy Rankin (Ga) 18'0 1/2" (5.50), Teresa Allen (Howard TC) 17'9 1/4" (5.42)

Carol Lewis began superbly, leading the qualifying round with her 22'4 1/2", but almost came unstuck in the final when she had two no-jumps before an ultra-safe 21'3 1/2". In the final three rounds all of her jumps were good enough to win. Having made the team in the heptathlon a week earlier, Joyner qualified for the squad with her second jump of 21'3 1/2" and cemented her position with a last round 21'10", while Angela Thacker caused a surprise by beating out defending OT champion Jodi Anderson 21'6 1/4" to 21'2 1/2". Thacker again surprised in the Olympics, jumping 22'3"w to take 4th ahead of Joyner (22'2 1/2"), while the unfortunate Lewis had step problems and could place no better than 9th (21'1 1/4").

Shot Put - June 16, 18.15 Hr

1. Lorna Griffin (AW)	56'1 1/4"	(17.10)
2. Carol Cady (PE)	55'7 3/4"	(16.96)
3. Ramona Pagel (SDS)	55'7 1/2"	(16.95)
4. Regina Cavanaugh (PE)	55'3 3/4"	(16'86)
5. Natalie Kaaiawahia (Ariz St)	55'1"	(16.79)
6. Elaine Sobansky (Penn St)	53'3 1/2"	(16.24)
7. Sandy Burke (Taunton TC)	52'10 3/4"	(16.12)
8. Bonnie Dasse (CA)	51'6 1/2"	(15.71)

9. Denise Wood (adi) 51'2 3/4" (15.62), 10. Marcia Mecklenberg (Bobcat TC) 51'1 1/2" (15.58), 11. Peggy Pollock (CA) 50'10" (15.49), Annette Bohach (Bud) Dnc

Qualifying: June 16, 11.30 Hr: Griffin 57'3" (17.45), Pagel 55'11 3/4" (17.06), Cavanaugh 55'9 3/4" (17.01), Kaaiawahia 54'5 1/4" (16.59), Pollock 53'7" (16.33), Sobansky 53'5 1/2" (16.29), Cady 52'4 1/2" (15.96), Burke 51'5 3/4" (15.69), Dasse 50'8 1/2" (15.45), Wood 50'7 1/4" (15.42), Mecklenberg 49'2 1/2" (15.00), Bohach 48'7 1/2" (14.82). Non-qualifiers: Nini Davis (NYPAL) 48'2 1/2" (14.69),

Teresa Williford (LSU) 47'8" (14.53), Diana Clements (adi) 46'9" (14.25), Sharon Hamilton (RRTC) 44'10 3/4" (13.68).

Lorna Griffin made her second Olympic team with her expected win. The tension of the first final of the meeting found its way to the athletes - Griffin had managed over 57' in the qualifying, yet a mark of barely 56' was enough to edge Cady and Pagel. These three were more than a foot better - on paper - than the rest of the field, and while Cavanaugh was only 3 3/4" behind Pagel, there were no shocks in this event.

Discus Throw - June 24, 16.00 Hr

1. Leslie Deniz (Unat)	202'7"	(61.76)
2. Laura DeSnoo (SDS)	190'7"	(58.08)
3. Lorna Griffin (AW)	188'2"	(57.36)
4. Carol Cady (PE)	187'2"	(57.06)
5. Pia Iacovo (Ala)	178'9"	(54.48)
6. Lynn Anderson (UCTC)	177'11"	(54.22)
7. Gale Zaphiropoulos (WC)	177'3"	(54.02)
8. Julie Hansen (PE)	176'2"	(53.70)

9. Penny Neer (West Mich TC) 172'7" (52.60), 10. Ramona Pagel (SDS) 171'1" (52.14), 11. Quenna Beasley (Bud) 170'5" (51.94), 12. Natalie Kaaiawahia (Ariz St) 168'11" (51.50)

Qualifying: June 23, 11.20 Hr: Deniz 198'7" (60.54), Cady 193'6" (58.98), Griffin 187'9" (57.22), DeSnoo 183'8" (55.98), Iacovo 180'7" (55.04), Neer 179'7" (54.74), Zaphiropoulos 179'7" (54.74), Pagel 179'3" (54.64), Kaaiawahia 176'1" (53.68), Anderson 174'10" (53.28), Hansen 171'3" (52.20), Beasley 167'1" (50.96). Non-qualifiers: Julie Jones (BYU) 164'4" (50.08), Kathy Picknell (Bud) 164'2" (50.04), Denise Wood (adi) 161'2" (49.12), Roberta Fettig (Minn) 157'3" (47.92), Karen Nickerson (PE) 156'4" (47.66), Karen McDonald (Tenn) 155'0" (47.24), Victoria Gay (TSU) 152'7" (46.50), Diane Oswalt (Unat) 147'6" (44.96)

Shot qualifiers Cady and Griffin were expected to join Leslie Deniz on the Olympic team, but Laura DeSnoo threw 190'7" in the fifth round to bump Cady off the team. For DeSnoo it was a reactive effort, as Deniz had moved past her from fourth to first with her penultimate throw of 202'7". She virtually duplicated this throw in the last round to emphasize her superiority. The qualifying had seen the Coliseum's swirling winds play havoc with discus form, as 194'3" thrower Kathy Picknell could throw only 164'2" and failed to qualify.

Javelin Throw - June 19, 18.15 Hr

1. Karin Smith (AW)	200'9"	(61.18)	61.18/60.04/59.80/ x /58.42/ x
2. Lynda Sutfin (Unat - Corning, Ca)	190'7"	(58.08)	55.32/ x /57.50/56.70/55.98/58.08
3. Cathy Sulinski (ML)	182'6"	(55.64)	
4. Kate Schmidt (PE)	179'1"	(54.58)	
5. Kathy Calo (Unat - Cape Meddick, Me)	178'9"	(54.48)	
6. Patty Kearney (Or Int)	177'11"	(54.24)	
7. Debbie Williams (CA)	175'8"	(53.54)	
8. Lori Mercer (Fla)	167'9"	(51.14)	

9. Lorna Martinson (AIA) 164'2" (50.04), 10. Mylissa Coleman (Id) 164'0" (49.98), 11. Susie Ray (TWC) 161'3" (49.16), 12. Pam Passers (Kn TC) 158'2" (48.22), Roz Rouse (Kn TC) Dnc/// Qualifying: June 18, 09.30 Hr: Smith 203'8" (62.08), Sutfin 190'11" (58.20), Schmidt 185'11" (56.68), Calo 181'9" (55.40), Kearney 174'10" (53.28), Sulinski 173'11" (53.02), Ray 172'4" (52.54), Williams 170'5" (51.94), Passera 169'10" (51.76), Martinson 168'0" (51.22), Rouse 166'11", Coleman 164'6" (50.14), Mercer 164'3" (50.06). Non-qualifiers: Barbara Moro (Bud) 163'0" (49.68), Deanna Carr (PE) 162'9" (49.62), Celeste Wilkins (Unat) 160'3" (48.84), Mary Osborne (PE) 159'6" (48.62), Michelle Oliveira (CA) 159'4" (48.58), Joanne Davis (UCSB) 155'9" (47.48), Loreena Anderson (Minn) 154'1" (46.96), Liz Mueller (CA) 149'11" (45.70), Julia Solo (Unat) 135'4" (41.26)

Karin Smith made her third Olympic team, dominating the field, with all 4 of her measured efforts ahead of the rest. Lynda Hughes-Sutfin finished more than 10 ft behind Smith, yet all 5 of her fair throws were good enough to make the team. The battle was for third, where Kate Schmidt, in her 5th trials, was attempting to make her 4th Olympic team, but injuries and flat throws took their toll. She threw about 190' in the 4th round, which would have made the team, but her best measured throw was her last round mark of 179'1", and it just wasn't enough to catch Sulinski's second round 182'6"

Heptathlon - June 16/17

1. Jackie Joyner (TWC)	(3718/1)	6520 AR
	13.61/1.83/13.06/23.77/6.81/45.38/2:13.41	
2. Jodi Anderson (PE)	(3656/2)	6413
	13.52/1.80/13.40/24.49/6.36/48.52/2:13.20	

3. Cindy Greiner (Nike)	(3607/3)	6204	
13.94/1.80/13.47/24.46/6.04w/42.26/2:13.03			
4. Patsy Walker (adi)	(3551/4)	6153	
13.81/1.71/14.04/24.68/6.20/39.86/2:14.39			
5. Joan Russell (CA)	(3319/11)	5841	
14.76/1.77/12.65/25.75/5.66/38.72/2:08.55			
6. Marlene Harmon (PE)	(3358/7)	5818	
14.07/1.74/11.67/25.20/6.01/37.46/2:17.19			
7. Debbie Larsen (Nike)	(3353/8)	5796	
15.43/1.80/13.12/25.15/5.72/41.62/2:18.55			
8. Kerry Bell (CA)	(3378/6)	5698	
14.96/1.83/13.98/26.42/5.76/37.04/2:23.31			
9. Mary Harrington (Nike)	(3346/9)	5688	
13.95/1.71/11.75/25.24/5.64w/35.04/2:16.84			
10. Tonya Alston (UCLA)	(3474/5)	5597	
14.44/1.83/13.76/25.80/5.68/34.24/2:35.32			
11. Sue Brownell (Outreach)	5577	17. Carrie McLaughlin (CA)	5243
12. Deb Clark (Neb)	5541	18. Juanita Alston (FTC)	5198
13. Myrtle Chester (Tenn)	5538	19. Sharon Hatfield (USC)	5149
14. Sheila Tarr (UNLV)	5523	20. Lana Zimmerman (LSU) (6)	4534
15. Janet Nichols (CPP)	5481	21. Jane Frederick (AW) (1)	890
16. Tracy Hanlon (Army)	5336		

Jackie Joyner moved into the rôle of Olympic favorite with her magnificent US record - the first of 6 she would achieve - which featured personal bests in 3 of the 7 events. Joyner actually trailed '80 Trials winner Anderson until the 200m, but her 23.77 to 24.49 win was enough to gain 68 points and put her in a lead that was never challenged, particularly after she jumped a superb 22'4 1/4", which put her =3 on the US all-time LJ list. Anderson was a fine second with a pb 6413. Cindy Greiner beat out Patsy Walker 6204 to 6153 for the final spot after '76 Trials winner Jane Frederick failed to clear her opening height of 5'7 1/4". Frederick was reportedly nursing a hamstring injury, but she came back well with US records of 6611 (Potsdam 21 Jul) and 6722 (Talence 16 Sep). Joyner had a miserable long jump in the Olympic heptathlon a month and a half later, reaching just 20'0 1/2", some 148 points less than her trials performance and she eventually lost the Olympic title by just 5 points.