

2012

Eugene – June 22 to July 1

Eugene hosted the Trials for a record 5th time, and the highlight was the first World Record since 1996 – Ashton Eaton’s Decathlon WR of 9039, which featured a remarkable 100-LJ start. The weather was less kind than in 2008, with cooler temperatures and rain on 4 days of the meeting. An innovation was to have the Hammer events held in Beaverton, home of Nike, which gave the discipline the attention it deserved. Improvements for the Trials which could have been effected would be to eliminate semi-final qualifying by times in sprints and hurdles – by making qualifying more stringent and reducing the number of heats where applicable (200/400 for example). A system of allowing a selection of 4 sprinters in the 100 to be reduced to 3 by the final Olympic entries declaration date would have nullified the furor caused in the Women’s 100 meters, and allowing top-3 entries without qualifying marks at the date of the Trials a couple of weeks to achieve the relevant qualifying standard before selecting qualified athletes who fared less well at the Trials would all have been ways to improve the Trials.

100 meters - June 24, 16.48 Hr; wind +1.8

		Reaction
1. 3. Justin Gatlin (unat)	9.80	(0.168)
2. 5. Tyson Gay (adidas)	9.86	(0.157)
3. 1. Ryan Bailey (Nike)	9.93	(0.143)
4. 4. Mike Rodgers (unat)	9.94	(0.151)
5. 2. Doc Patton (Nike)	9.96	(0.163)
6. 7. Trell Kimmons (adidas)	10.02	(0.159)
7. 6. Jeff Demps (FI)	10.27	(0.169)
8. 8. Walter Dix (Nike)	10.95	(0.156)

Semi-finals: June 24; qualify 2+2

I(1.4)–1. Rodgers 10.00; 2. Demps 10.10; 3. Dix 10.16; 4. Mitchell 10.23; 5. Williams 10.29; 6. Padgett 10.32; 7. Murdock 10.33.

II(1.4)–1. Gatlin 10.06; 2. Patton 10.10; 3. Bailey 10.11; 4. Newman 10.32; 5. Grimes 10.37; 6. DeRosier 10.42; 7. Edwards 10.49.

III(-0.6)–1. Gay 10.04; 2. Kimmons 10.10; 3. Rowland 10.19; 4. Gray 10.20; 5. Silmon 10.26; 6. Brock 10.31; 7. Rashad 11.75.

Heats: June 23; qualify 3+6

I(0.7)–1. Dix 10.03; 2. Patton 10.06; 3. Calesio Newman (unat) 10.19; 4. Rae Edwards (unat) 10.31; 5. Mickey Grimes (unat) 10.36; 6. Justin Murdock (Clem) 10.41; 7. Zye Boey (EnII) 10.45.

II(1.4)–1. Marcus Rowland (Aub) 10.16; 2. Demps 10.18; 3. Travis Padgett (adidas) 10.33; 4. Ahmad Rashad (Nike) 10.39; 5. Micheal Granger (Ms) 10.61; 6. Mookie Salaam (adidas) 10.62; 7. Shane Crawford (unat) 11.04.

III(1.5)–1. Rodgers 10.05; 2. Maurice Mitchell (FIS) 10.13; 3. Keenan Brock (Aub) 10.26; 4. Keith Ricks (VaT) 10.41; 5. Everett Walker (Bay) 10.42; 6. Prezel Hardy (TxAM) 10.5; dnc—Ryan Milus (AzSt).

IV(1.6)–1. Gay 10.00; 2. Bailey 10.03; 3. Phil DeRosier (unat) 10.17 PR; 4. Ivory Williams (Nike) 10.23; 5. Cordero Gray (unat) 10.28; 6. Isiah Young (Ms) 10.41.

V(1.7)–1. Gatlin 9.90; 2. Kimmons 10.11; 3. Charles Silmon (TCU) 10.17; 4. Justin Austin (Ia) 10.43; 5. Joseph Morris (Co) 10.63; 6. Darrell Wesh (VaT) 10.64; 7. Leroy Dixon (unat) 11.13.

Justin Gatlin was fastest in the heats with 9.90, his 4th sub-10 clocking of the year, while strong contenders Dix (10.03), Rodgers (10.05), and Gay (10.00) were also heat winners. Rodgers won the first semi-final in 10.00, with Dix (10.16) looking as though he was not at full throttle through injury and having to wait for the other 2 races to be certain of qualifying. Gatlin(10.06) and Gay (10.04) won the other 2 races, with Bailey the fastest loser with 10.11 ahead of Dix. Gatlin, looking as lean as he had been a decade earlier, was the fastest starter of the leading contenders in the final, though Kimmons was the quickest of all, and led for the first half of the race. Gatlin and Gay swept by, and the first two places were set in stone. Bailey, lagging in 5th at halfway, finished fastest of all, and edged Rodgers for third by inches in 9.93. Gatlin’s 9.80 was a personal best, while Gay’s run of 9.86 was his best time for 2 seasons. All 3 Americans made the Olympic final, placing 3-4-5 with Gatlin edging Gay for the Olympic bronze medal.

200 meters - July 1; wind +2.3

		Reaction
1. 6. Wallace Spearmon (Saucony)	19.82w (10.4/9.4)	(0.146)
2. 4. Maurice Mitchell (Nike)	20.14w (10.3/9.8)	(0.175)
3. 5. Isiah Young (Ms)	20.16w (10.4/9.8)	(0.180)
4. 8. Calesio Newman (unat)	20.17w (10.3/9.9)	(0.192)
5. 1. Doc Patton (Nike)	20.24w (10.8/9.4)	(0.167)
6. 3. Jeremy Dodson (Nike)	20.25w (10.6/9.7)	(0.150)

7. 7. Shawn Crawford (Nike)	20.37w (10.4/10.0)	(0.179)
8. 2. Marcus Rowland (Aub)	20.50w (10.7/9.8)	(0.150)

Semi-finals: June 30; qualify 2+2

I(-1.8)–1. Spearmon 20.59; 2. Dodson 20.70; 3. Dukes 20.70; 4. Mitchell 20.84; 5. Butler 21.05; 6. Williams 21.16.

II(-1.0)–1. Mitchell 20.43; 2. Young 20.45; 3. Patton 20.50; 4. Cotton 20.85; 5. Austin 20.91; 6. Coleman 21.08; 7. Morris 21.22; fs—Silmon.

III(-0.8)–1. Crawford 20.48; 2. Newman 20.53; 3. Rowland 20.57; 4. Hardy 20.72; 5. Boey 20.85; 6. Butler 21.39; 7. Ricks 21.39.

Heats: - June 29; qualify 3+6

I(3.1)–1. Spearmon 20.17w; 2. Jeremy Dodson (unat) 20.28w; 3. Crawford 20.32w; 4. Kind Butler (In) 20.69w; 5. Gil Roberts (TxT) 20.89w; 6. Everett Walker (Bay) 21.00w.

II(2.8)–1. Prezel Hardy (TxAM) 20.51w; 2. Michael Coleman (unat) 20.59w; 3. Zyberius Boey (EnII) 20.62w; 4. Keith Ricks (VaT) 20.74w.

III(1.5)–1. Newman 20.28 PR; 2. Rowland 20.51; 3. Dedric Dukes (Fl) 20.54; 4. Justin Austin (Ia) 20.55; 5. Diondre Batson (unat) 20.90; dnc—Justin Gatlin (unat).

IV(1.9)–1. Patton 20.40; 2. Mitchell 20.62; 3. Terrel Cotton (unat) 20.66; 4. Charles Silmon (TCU) 20.68; 5. Fernada Blakely (Shock) 21.45; dq—Troy Faulkner (unat) [20.79].

V(1.6)–1. Young 20.38; 2. Manteo Mitchell (unat) 20.47 PR; 3. Horatio Williams (FISt) 20.60; 4. LaShawn Butler (unat) 20.62; 5. Joseph Morris (Co) 20.82 PR;...dnc—Mookie Salaam (Nike).

Injuries to Walter Dix and Mookie Salaam, together with the withdrawal of Gatlin severely impaired this event. 2008 Olympian Spearmon was fastest in the heats with 20.17w, while Calesio Newman improved his PR to 20.28. The semi-finals saw rare negative winds, and 20.70 was good enough to make the final, by which time the wind had switched. Mitchell led off the curve, but the experienced Spearmon powered past with 70m to go, and won by more than 3 meters in 19.82w, with Mitchell (20.14w) just holding off Young (20.16) and Newman (20.17)

400 meters - June 24, 16.20 Hr

				Reaction
1. 6. LaShawn Merritt (Nike)	44.12	(21.8, 10.6 [32.4], 11.7)		0.264
2. 5. Tony McQuay (Fl)	44.49	(21.6, 10.8 [32.4], 12.1)		0.206
3. 7. Bryshon Nellum (USC)	44.80	(21.9, 11.0 [32.9], 11.9)		0.225
4. 4. Josh Mance (unat)	44.88	(21.7, 10.9 [32.6], 12.3)		0.190
5. 3. Manteo Mitchell (unat)	44.96	(21.2, 11.1 [32.3], 12.7)		0.191
6. 2. Jeremy Wariner (adidas)	45.24	(21.8, 11.4 [33.2], 12.0)		0.231
7. 1. David Verburg (GM)	45.36	(21.7, 11.4 [33.1], 12.3)		0.230
8. 8. Brady Gehret (PennSt)	45.48	(21.3, 11.1 [32.4], 13.1)		0.219

Semi-finals - June 23, 17.00 Hr; qualify 4

I–1. McQuay 44.84; 2. Mance 44.99; 3. Gehret 45.22; 4. Verburg 45.31; 5. Smith 45.61; 6. Hughes 45.63; 7. Roberts 45.68;... dnc—Boase.

II–1. Merritt 44.78; 2. Nellum 45.16; 3. Mitchell 45.27; 4. Wariner 45.27; 5. Lawrence 45.40 PR; 6. Smith 45.81; 7. Bailey 45.82; 8. Butler 45.87.

Heats: - June 22, 15.10 Hr; qualify 3+4

I–1. Merritt 45.36; 2. Nellum 45.58; 3. Aldrich Bailey (TxHS) 45.59; 4. Greg Nixon (Asics) 46.25; 5. Josh Scott (unat) 46.43; 6. Chris Vaughn (In) 47.07;... dnf—Tavaris Tate (MsSt).

II–1. McQuay 45.41; 2. Verburg 45.76; 3. Gehret 45.80; 4. Miles Smith (unat) 46.09; 5. Troy Faulkner (unat) 46.49; 6. Kyle Clemons (Ks) 46.61; 7. Jamaal Torrance (Nike) 46.74.

III–1. Mitchell 45.70; 2. Torrin Lawrence (Ga) 45.82; 3. Wariner 45.84; 4. Calvin Smith (adidas) 45.94; 5. Marcus Boyd (unat) 46.13; 6. Michael Berry (Or) 46.29; 7. David Neville (Nike) 46.70.

IV–1. Mance 45.38; 2. Joey Hughes (USC) 45.64; 3. Gil Roberts (TxT) 45.64; 4. Kind Butler (In) 45.67; 5. Jordan Boase (Nike) 45.95; 6. David Dickens (unat) 46.5; dnc—Brandon O'Connor (unat).

The prospects for the USA looked bright after the final. None of the favourites had been eliminated in the heats and McQuay (44.84) and reigning champion Merritt (44.78) were the semi-final winners. Gehret in the outside lane was the fastest away, and Merritt was quite conservative with his first 200 meters, with McQuay keying on the Olympic champion. By 200 meters Manteo Mitchell was ahead, and would hold the lead till just past the 300m mark, at which point Merritt turned on the afterburners as all of the runners began to suffer. Merritt won in a seasonal best of 44.12, with McQuay (44.49) and the fast finishing Nellum (44.80) both ran personal bests. Merritt would be a shadow of himself in London, and both Nellum and McQuay were eliminated in their semi-finals, the first time all US representatives had failed to make the Olympic final. The US would win silver in the relay, despite losing Mitchell after the heats, where he broke his left fibula at the 200m mark on the opening leg (and still clocked 46.1).

800 meters - June 25, 18.50 Hr

1. Nick Symmonds (OTC)	1:43.92	25.23, 26.08 [51.31], 25.53 [1:16.84], 27.08
2. Khadevis Robinson (Nike)	1:44.64	25.00, 26.57 [51.57], 26.24 [1:17.81], 26.83
3. Duane Solomon (Saucony)	1:44.65	24.43, 25.63 [50.06], 26.46 [1:16.52], 28.13
4. Ryan Martin (UCSB)	1:44.90	24.70, 26.03 [50.73], 26.43 [1:17.16], 27.74
5. Tyler Mulder (OTC)	1:45.02	25.30, 26.36 [51.66], 26.13 [1:17.79], 27.23
6. Elijah Greer (Or)	1:45.40	24.65, 25.76 [50.41], 26.54 [1:16.95], 28.45
7. Mark Wieczorek (unat)	1:45.62	25.58, 26.30 [51.88], 26.37 [1:18.25], 27.37
8. Charles Jock (Nike)	1:49.02	24.27, 25.60 [49.87], 26.94 [1:16.81], 32.21

Semi-finals - June 23, 16.45 Hr; qualify 3+2

I-1. Robinson 1:45.83 (51.68/54.15); 2. Solomon 1:46.03 (50.84/55.19); 3. Greer 1:46.28; 4. Jock 1:46.40; 5. Wieczorek 1:46.48; 6. Gagnon 1:46.77; 7. Pachuta 1:46.83; 8. Rutt 1:46.84.

II-1. Mulder 1:46.14 (52.01/54.13); 2. Symmonds 1:46.82; 3. Martin 1:47.37; 4. Webb 1:47.95; 5. Novak 1:48.24; 6. Everett 1:48.25; 7. Preble 1:49.95; 8. Sowinski 1:50.83 (51.15/59.68).

Heats - June 22, 17.20 Hr; qualify 3+4

I-1. Symmonds 1:46.94; 2. David Pachuta (Mn) 1:47.14; 3. Erik Sowinski (Ia) 1:47.30; 4. Tevan Everett (NJNY) 1:47.31; 5. Sharif Webb (unat) 1:47.86; 6. Rob Novak (NYAC) 1:47.97; 7. Lance Roller (Va) 1:48.67; 8. Willie Brown (Akr) 1:51.33.

II-1. Mulder 1:46.81; 2. Martin 1:46.92; 3. Wieczorek 1:47.05; 4. Brian Gagnon (NJNY) 1:47.10; 5. Brandon Johnson (unat) 1:48.82; 6. Christian Smith (unat) 1:49.21; 7. Benjamin Scheetz (unat) 1:49.42; 8. Jackson Langat (unat) 1:49.47.

III-1. Jock 1:47.90; 2. Michael Rutt (NJNY) 1:47.99; 3. Michael Preble (TxAM) 1:48.20; 4. Richard Jones (SMTC) 1:48.29; 5. Tetlo Emmen (unat) 1:48.46; 6. Liam Boylan-Pett (NJNYTC) 1:48.46; 7. Cas Loxsom (PennSt) 1:49.25; 8. Christian Gonzalez (NJNYTC) 1:49.32.

IV-1. Robinson 1:47.30; 2. Greer 1:47.42; 3. Solomon 1:47.91; 4. Joe Abbott (unat) 1:48.16; 5. Harun Abda (Mn) 1:48.26; 6. Andrew Dawson (unat) 1:48.35; 7. Patrick Roach (SWIFT) 1:50.11; dq—Brandon Shaw (Brk).

Fastest in the preliminary rounds was veteran Khadevis Robinson, who ran 1:45.83 in winning the first semi-final. A surprising 4th was NCAA champion Charles Jock, who had to wait until the second race was run to be sure of qualifying. Jock did his typical front running in the final, passing halfway in 49.87, with Robinson (51.57) and 2008 winner Symmonds (51.31) seemingly out of touch. Solomon eased past Jock at 550m, with Symmonds moving up quickly to pass the now flagging Jock just past 600m. Symmonds took over the lead with 80m remaining, and won by 5 meters in an immensely popular hometown win, as Robinson closed quickly to catch Solomon on the line. Solomon would be a pleasant surprise in London, edging Symmonds for fourth place, as both ran PRs of 1:42.82 and 1:42.95 respectively.

1500 meters July 1, 16.37 Hr

1. Leonel Manzano (Nike)	3:35.75	43.12, 60.19 [1:43.31], 59.37 [2:42.68]
2. Matthew Centrowitz (Nike)	3:35.84	42.95, 60.20 [1:43.15], 59.15 [2:42.30]
3. Andrew Wheating (OTC)	3:36.68	43.83, 59.41 [1:43.24], 59.87 [2:43.11]
4. Andy Bayer (In)	3:37.24	44.01, 59.77 [1:43.78], 59.38 [2:43.15]
5. Robby Andrews (adidas)	3:37.45	44.20, 59.82 [1:44.02], 59.48 [2:43.50]
6. David Torrence (Nike)	3:37.70	44.25, 59.39 [1:43.64], 58.75 [2:43.39]
7. Jordan McNamara (OTC)	3:37.79	42.54, 60.33 [1:42.87], 60.00 [2:42.87]
8. Craig Miller (New Balance)	3:37.81	43.45, 59.96 [1:43.41], 59.44 [2:42.85]
9. Jeff See (Saucony)	3:38.81	
10. Miles Batty (Asics)	3:43.58	
11. John Mickowski (unat)	3:44.17	
12. Will Leer (Nike)	3:46.75	

Semi-finals - 16.25 Hr, June 29; qualify 5+2

I-1. Leer 3:51.27 (51.99); 2. Wheating 3:51.40 (52.21); 3. Torrence 3:51.43 (52.36); 4. Miller 3:51.56 (52.01); 5. Mickowski 3:51.71 (52.67); 6. Gagnon 3:51.86 (52.47); 7. Ulrey 3:52.15 (52.86); 8. Boylan-Pett 3:52.18 (52.85); 9. Bolas 3:52.47 (53.01); 10. Maldonado 3:52.95 (53.22); 11. Jefferson 3:54.52 (54.95); 12. Brown 3:58.85 (59.05).

II-1. Centrowitz 3:41.90 (53.73); 2. Manzano 3:41.90 (53.80); 3. Andrews 3:42.14 (53.64); 4. See 3:42.16 (53.84); 5. Batty 3:42.33 (54.03); 6. Bayer 3:42.56 (53.80); 7. McNamara 3:42.77 (54.06); 8. Clark 3:42.85 (54.30); 9. Heath 3:42.95 (54.60); 10. Acosta 3:43.73 (55.16); 11. Fernandez 3:43.78 (55.53); 12. Pifer 3:44.59 (56.47).

Heats - June 28, 16.20 Hr; qualify 6+6

I-1. Miller 3:41.89; 2. Torrence 3:41.99; 3. Centrowitz 3:42.02; 4. See 3:42.03; 5. Daniel Clark (unat) 3:42.05; 6. Jack Bolas (New Balance) 3:42.14; 7. Bayer 3:42.14; 8. Riley Masters (Ok) 3:42.71; 9. Duncan Phillips (Ar) 3:42.75; 10. Erik Van Ingen (Bing) 3:43.52.

II-1. Leer 3:40.79; 2. A.J. Acosta (Or) 3:40.98; 3. Garrett Heath (Saucony) 3:41.02; 4. Andrews 3:41.11; 5. Miles Batty (BYU) 3:41.21; 6. German Fernandez (OkSt) 3:41.33; 7. Brian Gagnon (NJNY) 3:41.38; 8. Stephen Pifer (OTC) 3:41.47; 9. John Jefferson (Brk) 3:41.64; 10. Kyle Miller (Nike) 3:48.81.

III-1. McNamara 3:40.78; 2. Manzano 3:40.91; 3. Russell Brown (OTC) 3:41.13; 4. Wheating 3:41.14; 5. Liam Boylan-Pett (NJNY) 3:41.17; 6. Mickowski 3:41.18; 7. Matthew Maldonado (LBSt) 3:41.93; 8. Dorian Ulrey (Nike) 3:42.55; 9. Rob Finnerty (Wi) 3:43.89; 10. Kyle Merber (Co) 3:45.87.

Even without the presence of previous Olympians Bernard Lagat, Lopez Lomong and Alan Webb, all of whom had opted for the 5000m, this was a loaded event. All the preliminaries were tactical affairs, the worst of which, the first semi-final, was won in 3:51+. Curiously 4 of the top-5 in the final would come from the much faster second semi-final, though this, at 3:41.90 was also a kickers race. The final was a little different, with McNamara (57.58) and then Leer (1:57.59) taking on the pace. Centrowitz, who had shown his tactical acumen when winning a medal in the 2011 World Championships, went to the front with 500m remaining, and led until 25m to go, when Manzano slipped by to win in 3:35.75, 0.09 ahead of Centrowitz, with hometown favourite Andrew Wheating overcoming plantar fasciitis to take third 7 meters behind. Manzano and Centrowitz would continue their good form in London, placing second and fourth respectively.

3000 meters steeplechase - June 28, 18.30 Hr

		Estimated kilometre splits
1. Evan Jager (OTC)	8:17.40	2:49.8 - 2:46.9 [5:36.7] - 2:40.7
2. Donn Cabral (Nike)	8:19.81	2:49.7 - 2:47.8 [5:37.5] - 2:42.3
3. Kyle Alcorn (Nike)	8:22.17	2:50.2 - 2:47.0 [5:37.2] - 2:45.0
4. Donnie Cowart (RagM)	8:27.49	2:50.4 - 2:47.6 [5:38.0] - 2:49.5
5. Ben Bruce (adidasMcM)	8:29.61	2:50.2 - 2:49.3 [5:39.5] - 2:50.1
6. Max King (CORK)	8:30.54	2:49.9 - 2:50.2 [5:40.1] - 2:50.4
7. Dan Huling (Reebok)	8:30.76	2:49.9 - 2:46.7 [5:36.6] - 2:54.2
8. Billy Nelson (New Balance)	8:32.21	2:50.4 - 2:49.5 [5:39.9] - 2:52.3
9. Cory Leslie (OhSt) 8:33.94, 10. Augustus Maiyo (unat) 8:35.61, 11. Brian Olinger (Reebok) 8:37.93, 12. Josh McAdams (New Balance) 8:41.10, 13. Craig Forys (Mi) 8:46.81, 14. David Adams (TNb) 8:48.83		

Heats - June 25, 17.25 Hr; qualify 5+4

I-1. Jager 8:30.60; 2. Donald Cabral (Prin) 8:30.64; 3. Craig Forys (unat) 8:30.85; 4. Leslie 8:31.08 PR; 5. McAdams 8:31.15; 6. Adams 8:32.17; 7. Nelson 8:35.22; 8. Steve Slattery (unat) 8:37.17; 9. Jordan Fife (Brk) 8:42.13; 10. Ryan Haebe (WnCo) 8:53.38; 11. Corey Nowitzke (unat) 8:53.58; 12. John Ricardi (Brk) 9:05.92.

II-1. Huling 8:29.00; 2. Bruce 8:29.11; 3. Alcorn 8:29.27; 4. Maiyo 8:29.29 PR; 5. Olinger 8:30.08; 6. Cowart 8:31.51; 7. King 8:33.43; 8. Derek Scott (RPort) 8:38.55; 9. Lyle Weese (unat) 8:38.55; 10. De'Sean Turner (In) 8:47.15; 11. Justin Tyner (FalcDP) 8:53.92; 12. Travis Mahoney (Tem) 8:54.03

Jager, an excellent runner over the flat, had run his first race in April clocking 8:26.14 despite falling into the water-jump, and improved to 8:20.90 in May, so the OT final was only his 4th race at the distance. Ben Bruce was the early leader in the final, with Cabral and Nelson then taking over, without anyone attempting a serious break for the first two kilometres, though Brian Olinger stretched the field into a single file trail in the 4th lap. Dan Huling then took over the lead, with a comfortable looking Jager in his wake. With 2 laps remaining Huling and Jager were 7-8 meters clear of Alcorn and Cabral, and these 4 were together at the bell, with Jager now in front. Jager went away in the final back straight, and won as he pleased with a PR 8:17.40, ahead of Cabral and Alcorn, with Huling fading to 7th after his Olympic chances were clearly gone. Jager improved to a US record of 8:06.81 in Europe, and placed 6th in the Olympic final.

5000 Meters - June 28, 19.38 Hr

1. Galen Rupp (Nike)	13:22.67
2. Bernard Lagat (Nike)	13:22.82
3. Lopez Lomong (Nike)	13:24.47
4. Andrew Bumbalough (Nike)	13:26.67
5. Ryan Hill (NCSt)	13:27.49
6. Ben True (Saucony)	13:28.02
7. Elliott Heath (Stan)	13:28.20
8. Hassan Mead (Mn)	13:30.21
9. Scott Bauhs (unat) 13:31.69, 10. Mohamed Trafah (Nike) 13:36.19, 11. Trevor Dunbar (Or) 13:40.66, 12. Robert Cheseret (unat) 13:50.39, 13. Brent Vaughn (Nike) 13:51.49, 14. Ian Dobson (OTC) 13:51.77, 15. George Alex (Ok) 13:57.15, 16. Brandon Bethke (unat) 14:03.37	

Heats - June 25, 19.00 Hr; qualify 6+4

I-1. Bumbalough 13:46.80; 2. Rupp 13:46.82; 3. Dunbar 13:49.19; 4. Trafah 13:49.34; 5. Cheseret 13:49.42; 6. Heath 13:49.50; 7. Bauhs 13:50.86; 8. Yosef Ghebray (unat) 13:51.65; 9. Dan Lowry (Brown) 13:56.08; 10. Jacob Riley (Hans) 13:59.73; 11. Alan Webb (Nike) 14:01.25.

II-1. Lomong 13:42.81; 2. Lagat 13:42.83; 3. True 13:43.12; 4. Hill 13:43.24; 5. Mead 13:44.56; 6. Bethke 13:45.21; 7. Alex 13:45.55; 8. Vaughn 13:45.87; 9. Dobson 13:49.62; 10. Stephen Furst (adidasR) 13:56.16; 11. Girma Mecheso (OkSt) 14:11.95.

Rupp, 2008 winner Lagat and the talented Lomong were the three expected to make the team, and as far as the squad was concerned, form was followed. The pace in the final was tepid, with 3000m being passed in 8:12.51. with Bethke and Trafeh leading. Trafeh kept the lead until 750m remained, when the field, led by Lagat, swept past. At the bell Rupp led, with Lomong, Lagat and Bumbalough the only runners in with an Olympic chance. Pushing hard, Rupp led into the straight, when Lagat surged past, only for the Eugene based Rupp to fight back and surprisingly outkicked Lagat to win by a meter, with both having run the last lap in 52.5. Lomong finished 15m ahead of Bumbalough to take the 3rd Olympic spot. Rupp's time of 13:22.67 edged Steve Prefontaine's 1972 meet record of 13:22.8. All 3 Americans would make the Olympic final, with Lagat the best placed (4th) in a tactical race that was the slowest since 1968.

10,000 Meters - June 22, 18.45 Hr

1. Galen Rupp (Nike)	27:25.33
2. Matt Tegenkamp (Nike)	27:33.94
3. Dathan Ritzenhein (Nike)	27:36.09
4. Chris Derrick (Stan)	27:40.23
5. Aaron Braun (adidasMcM)	27:41.54
6. Ryan Vail (Brooks)	27:52.53
7. Brent Vaughn (Nike)	27:55.44
8. Luke Puskedra (Or)	27:56.62

9. Bobby Mack (unat) 27:58.07; 10. Bobby Curtis (Reebok) 27:58.48; 11. Hassan Mead (Mn) 27:59.04; 12. Ben True (Saucony) 28:08.17; 13. Jacob Riley (Hansons) 28:08.36; 14. Tim Nelson (Nike) 28:15.11; 15. Joseph Chirlee (USAr) 28:17.84; 16. Jeff Schirmer (ASTF) 28:35.18; 17. Christopher Landry (unat) 28:35.46; 18. Girma Mecheso (OkSt) 28:38.73; 19. Josh Simpson (AST) 28:48.32; 20. David Jankowski (Zap) 29:00.67; 21. James Strang (unat) 29:09.77; 22. Mikhail Sayenko (Brk) 29:18.57; 23. Juan Carlos Trujillo (adidas) 29:36.50; dnf—Scott Bauhs (unat).

Rupp, the American record holder, operating on his home track, was the prohibitive favourite. Together with Tegenkamp and Ritzenhein, the Nike trio dominated the race, moving clear of the field with 3km remaining, after halfway was reached in 13:56.67. Ritzenhein was the only one of the three without an A standard mark (27:45), and Rupp's coach Alberto Salazar instructed Rupp to occasionally help Ritz with the pace making on the grounds that it would help both men, and it did. Rupp went away in the final mile to win with a meet record 27:25.33 and Ritzenhein finished an excellent third in 27:36.09 behind Tegenkamp (27:33.94), but comfortably clear of Derrick and Braun. Rupp and his training partner Mo Farah battled for the Gold in London, with the Brit winning out 27:30.42 to 27:30.90.

20k walk - June 30, 07:30 Hr; on track

1. Trevor Barron (NYAC)	1:23:00.1
2. Tim Seaman (NYAC)	1:27:29.5
3. Nick Christie (unat)	1:29:47.3
4. Dan Serianni (WCRW)	1:32:16.3
5. Michael Mannozi (MVTC)	1:34:12.5
6. Tyler Sorensen (unat)	1:34:24.6
7. Ben Shorey (Shore)	1:34:45.1
8. Richard Luetchau (Shore)	1:37:53.7
9. Ian Whatley (WCRW) 1:42:21.4; 10. Jonathan Matthews (Shore) 1:43:22.82; dnf—John Nunn (USAr); dq—Joshua Wiseman (MiaVTC); dnc—Patrick Stroupe (unat).	

19 year old Trevor Barron set a US track record, pounding round the 50 laps in 1:23:00.1 to become the US's youngest ever representative in the event, and went on to place a creditable 26th in London with 1:22:46.

50 Kilometer Walk – Santee, CA – January 22, 7.30 Hr

1. John Nunn (US Army)	4:04:41
2. Tim Seaman (NYAC)	4:05:50
3. Ben Shorey (Shore AC)	4:17:30
4. Patrick Stroupe (Unat)	4:19:43
5. Erich Cordero (Shore AC)	4:28:03
6. Allen James (Unat)	4:39:25
7. Ray Sharp (Unat)	4:41:46
8. Michael Mannozi (MiaV)	4:48:19
9. Dave McGovern 5:24:19. Yandy Alvarez, Dave Talcott and Jonathan Matthews – did not finish. Erin Taylor-Walcott (Shore AC) – guest competitor 4:33:23 (US Women's record)	

40 laps of the 1.25km circuit were completed in selecting two men for the IAAF World Cup as well as the London Olympics. The target was the "B" standard of 4:09:00, and at halfway, 5 men – Nunn, Seaman, Shorey, Stroupe and

Cordero were well on target pace, being timed at 2:03:35. Cordero slipped back first, and Nunn and Seaman got away at the 35k mark, with Nunn pulling away on the final lap. As big a story was the performance of Erin Taylor-Walcott, who celebrated being the first woman to walk in the men's OT by setting a US record of 4:33:23, taking her to 10th on the world all-time list. Nunn was more than a minute quicker in London, with 4:03:28, but placed 43rd.

Marathon – Houston – January 14, 2012, 08.00 Hr

1. Meb Keflezighi (NYAC)	2:09:08
2. Ryan Hall (Asics)	2:09:30
3. Abdi Abdirahman (Nik)	2:09:47
4. Dathan Ritzenhein (Nik)	2:09:55
5. Brett Gotcher (McME)	2:11:06
6. Andrew Carlson (TMn)	2:11:24
7. Fernando Cabada (Co)	2:11:53
8. Nick Arciniaga (McME)	2:11:56

9. James Carney (NBal) 2:12:23, 10. Jimmy Grabow (adiLeg) 2:12:29, 11. Ryan Vail (Brk) 2:12:43, 12. Ricky Flynn (Va) 2:13:41, 13. Patrick Rizzo (Miz) 2:13:42, 14. Josh Cox (Ca) 2:13:50, 15. Ian Burrell (BouRC) 2:14:04, 16. Sean Quigley (Puma) 2:14:12, 17. Mike Morgan (Hans) 2:14:22, 18. Jason Lehmkuhle (TMn) 2:14:35, 19. Max King (COrRK) 2:14:36, 20. Michael Reneau (TwinC TC) 2:14:37, 21. Drew Polley (Hans) 2:14:58.

2008 winner Hall was the pacesetter, passing 10 Miles in 48:12 (2:06:22 pace), and by 15 Miles Hall, Keflezighi, Abdirahman and Ritzenhein, all of whom had previously been Olympians, were away and clear of the field. Although the pace slowed after 18 Miles, Ritzenhein began to feel the pace, and by 23 Miles was half a minute adrift. Shortly after Abdi began to struggle, and the race for London turned into two battles. Keflezighi won the lead campaign, getting clear of Hall after the 40km mark, while Abdi survived Ritzenhein's closing rush by just 8 seconds to qualify for his first marathon Olympics spot. All told 50 ran under 2:20, and the 85th and final finisher (Dan Browne, 10000m Olympian in 2004) ran 2:42:21. Prize money for the top-10 in both Marathon races ranged from \$54,000 for 1st to \$4,000 for 10th. Keflezighi afterwards stated that "it is an honor to make my third Olympic team".

<http://www.usatf.org/events/2012/OlympicTrials-Marathon/results/Men.asp> for full result

110 Hurdles - June 30, 18.40 Hr, wind +1.2

		Reaction
1. 5. Aries Merritt (Reebok)	12.93	0.138
2. 6. Jason Richardson (Nike)	12.98	0.185
3. 4. Jeff Porter (unat)	13.08	0.157
4. 2. Antwon Hicks (unat)	13.14	0.158
5. 3. David Oliver (Nike)	13.17	0.165
6. 8. Dexter Faulk (Nike)	13.23	0.142
7. 7. Ryan Wilson (Saucony)	13.24	0.179
-. 1. Ty Akins (unat).	Dnf	0.179

Semi-finals - June 30, 16.20 Hr; qualify 2+2

I(-0.6)–1. Oliver 13.27; 2. Wilson 13.32; 3. Faulk 13.33; 4. Osaghae 13.43; 5. Brown 13.44; 6. Adams 13.58.

II(1.2)–1. Merritt 13.01; 2. Hicks 13.22; 3. Akins 13.37; 4. Nugent 13.49; 5. Ash 13.53; 6. Lovett 13.60.

III(1.5)–1. Richardson 12.98; 2. Porter 13.19; 3. Craddock 13.42; 4. Berger 13.50; 5. Hill 13.57; 6. Payne 13.65.

Heats - June 29, 16.05 Hr; qualify 3+6

I(-1.6)–1. Merritt 13.13; 2. Porter 13.35; 3. Akins 13.50; 4. Spencer Adams (Clem) 13.51; 5. Joel Brown (adidas) 13.52; 6. Kevin Craddock (Nike) 13.60; 7. Ryan Fontenot (unat) 13.85; 8. Ethan Holmes (Ia) 14.15.

II(0.3)–1. Richardson 13.13; 2. Hicks 13.24; 3. Wilson 13.33; 4. Barrett Nugent (LSU) 13.52; 5. Johnathan Cabral (Or) 13.63; 6. Logan Taylor (unat) 13.72; 7. Todd McKown (Wich) 13.97; 8. Chris Thomas (unat) 14.44.

III(1.2)–1. Faulk 13.27; 2. David Payne (Nike) 13.32; 3. Omo Osaghae (unat) 13.44; 4. Dominic Berger (adidas) 13.44; 5. Eddie Lovett (Fl) 13.49; 6. Brendan Ames (adidas) 13.73; 7. Terrence Somerville (Cinc) 13.87; 8. Ronnie McGirt (unat) 13.93.

IV(-0.8)–1. Oliver 13.32; 2. Ronnie Ash (Nike) 13.52; 3. Devon Hill (Mia) 13.67; 4. Ronald Brookins (SacSt) 13.81; 5. Terrence Trammell (unat) 13.86; 6. Lawson Montgomery (Wich) 14.20;... dnf—Jarret Eaton (Syr);... fs—Fredrick Townsend (unat).

Merritt and World champion Richardson were the fastest in the heats on 13.13, and both men set lifetime bests in the semi-finals, with Merritt running 13.01, to be followed in the next race by Richardson's 12.98. The first semi-final had been won by 2008 Trials winner David Oliver in 13.27 into a headwind after a slow start, and these three shaped up as the likely team members, though Porter (13.19) and Hicks (13.22) were faster than Oliver. The final saw Merritt and Porter away best, with Oliver slow to get moving. By the fourth barrier Merritt was a clear leader with Richardson moving up. At the 7th barrier there were still 6 in contention, with Ryan Wilson effectively eliminating himself by hitting that hurdle hard, while Hicks and the fast closing Oliver could never quite catch Porter. For

Merritt and Richardson it was their second PRs of the day, Richardson equalling his earlier 12.98 [becoming the first man to run sub-13 twice on the same day], while Merritt improved to 12.93. Merritt would further improve to 12.92 in the OG final [after a 12.94 semi-final that same day] before shattering the WR with 12.80. For Merritt, who had watched the 1996 Trials race as an 11 year old, the Trials was a dream come true - "to come out and make the team in my second trials, and to finally break 13 legally, is phenomenal". Merritt's improvement in 2012 was largely due to his quick conversion from 8 to 7 strides to the first hurdle. His full season record is shown below. Note that his 10 best races (all under 13) averaged 12.932/+0.8.

13.25	1.2	1h2		Fayetteville	21 Apr
13.25	0.9	1		Fayetteville	21 Apr
12.99	2.9	1h3		Fayetteville	4 May
13.03	1.0	1		Fayetteville	4 May
13.21	-0.4	1		Daegu	16 May
13.26	0.4	4	DL	Shanghai	19 May
12.96	2.4	2	Pre	Eugene	2 Jun
DQ	0.9	-	DL	New York	9 Jun
13.13	-1.6	1h1	OT	Eugene	29 Jun
13.01	1.2	1s2	OT	Eugene	30 Jun
12.93	1.2	1	OT	Eugene	30 Jun
13.14	-0.9	1h2	DL	London	13 Jul
12.93	0.6	1	DL	London	13 Jul
12.93	0.0	1	Herc	Monaco	20 Jul
13.07	0.7	1h5	OG	London	7 Aug
12.94	0.1	1s2	OG	London	8 Aug
12.92	-0.3	1	OG	London	8 Aug
DQ	-0.6	-	Athl	Lausanne	23 Aug
12.95	-0.9	1	DL	Birmingham	26 Aug
12.97	1.2	1	ISTAF	Berlin	2 Sep
12.80	0.3	1	VD	Bruxelles	7 Sep

400 hurdles - July 1, 16.12 Hr

		Reaction
1.	7. Michael Tinsley (adidas)	48.33 0.178
2.	6. Angelo Taylor (Nike)	48.57 0.168
3.	4. Kerron Clement (Nike)	48.89 0.161
4.	5. Bershawn Jackson (Nike)	48.94 0.142
5.	3. Justin Gaymon (unat)	49.41 0.197
6.	2. Reggie Wyatt (USC)	50.06 0.224
7.	8. Michael Stigler (Ks)	50.63 0.200
8.	1. Johnny Dutch (Nike)	51.47 0.183

Semi-finals - June 29, 15.35 Hr; qualify 4

I-1. Jackson 48.83; 2. Clement 49.04; 3. Gaymon 49.37; 4. Wyatt 49.57; 5. Bennett 50.48; 6. Wilright 50.58; 7. Blanks 51.02; 8. Hayes 51.46.

II-1. Taylor 48.77; 2. Tinsley 49.05; 3. Stigler 49.50; 4. Dutch 49.59; 5. McCoy 49.90; 6. Aristil 50.04; 7. White 52.74; 8. Anderson 53.15.

Heats - June 28, 18.00 Hr; qualify 3+4

I-1. Taylor 49.53; 2. Stigler 50.02; 3. Alex Wilright (EvoTC) 50.31 PR; 4. Wyatt 50.34; 5. Steven White (NTx) 50.80; 6. Antonio Blanks (OhSt) 51.11; 7. Eric Cray (Ok) 51.32.

II-1. Jackson 50.59; 2. LaRon Bennett (unat) 51.07; 3. Keyunta Hayes (UTSA) 51.16; 4. Christopher Carter (BYU) 51.22; 5. Ali Arastu (Mi) 52.12; 6. Jibri Victorian (Copp) 52.21; 7. Austin Hollimon (unat) 56.50.

III-1. Tinsley 49.55; 2. Gaymon 49.56; 3. David Aristil (SFI) 50.53; 4. Trey Charles (FLTC) 51.23; 5. Adam Durham (unat) 51.53; 6. Carson Blanks (Ms) 52.53; 7. Lee Moore (unat) 57.48.

IV-1. Clement 49.37; 2. Dutch 49.69; 3. Jeshua Anderson (Nike) 50.49; 4. Reuben McCoy (unat) 50.58; 5. Jermaine Lowery (Pitt) 51.39; 6. Richard Lowe (Mem) 51.88; 7. Caleb Cross (Ar) 57.05.

Jackson, Taylor, and a resurgent Clement, all either World or Olympic winners, were the men to beat as they had been in 2008. All 3 won their heats, with Tinsley the other preliminary victor. Jackson and Taylor were the semi-final winners, with Clement (49.04) and Tinsley (49.05) the two runners-up. Taylor blasted out from gun, and by 150m was 2-3 meters clear of Clement and Jackson, with Tinsley some 6-7 meters behind the flying Olympic champion. Jackson was his usual slothful self in the second quarter of the race, but moved up with Tinsley in the third 100 meters. Taylor held the lead until just after the final hurdle, when Tinsley flowed by to win by 2 meters. Jackson lost his balance after hitting the last barrier, and for the second time in 3 Trials Jackson missed out, this time being edged by Clement for third. Tinsley would further enhance his reputation by winning a surprise silver medal in London, behind USC graduate Félix Sánchez.

High Jump - June 25, 17.50 Hr

		2.15	2.20	2.25	2.28	2.31
1. Jamie Nieto (NYAC)	7-5¾ (2.28)	o	o	o	o	xxx
2. Erik Kynard (KsSt)	7-5¾ (2.28)	o	xo	xo	o	xxx
3. Nick Ross (unat)	7-5¾ (2.28)	xo	xxo	o	o	xxx
4. Jesse Williams (OTC)	7-5¾ (2.28)	o	o	xo	xxo	xxx
=5. Justin Frick (Shore)	7-4½ (2.25)	o	xo	xo	xxx	
=5. Ed Wright (unat)	7-4½ (2.25)	o	xo	xo	p	xxx
=7. Dwight Barbiasz (Fl)	7-½ (2.15)					
=7. Montez Blair (Corn)	7-½ (2.15)					

9. Tora Harris (unat) 7-½; nh—Geoffery Davis (unat), Jim Dilling (unat), Jeffery Herron (Ia), Zack Riley (SwampF).

Qualifying - June 23, 16.20 Hr; auto-qualifier 7-7/2.31

Qualifiers: Barbiasz, Herron & Riley cleared 7-½/2.15 without a miss; all other finalists cleared 7-1¾/2.18;

Non-qualifiers: [7-½]—Edward Dudley (LErie), Andra Manson (Nike), Ricky Robertson (Ms); [6-10¾/2.10]—

Tanner Anderson (Duke), Ronnie Black (VaT), Randal Carter (OmR), Darius King (unat), Bryan McBride (AzSt), Keith Moffatt; nh—Donte Nall (unat), Maalik Reynolds(Penn)

Of the 13 finalists, just 3 – Williams, Kynard and Nieto were the only jumpers who had made the 7'7" [2.31] "A" standard. Cool and wet conditions meant that only 6 jumpers cleared 7'4 ½. At 7'5 ¾ just 4 men cleared, the surprise being that of the 4, World champion Jesse Williams was in 4th place on countback after making 2.28 on his 3rd attempt, the others having all cleared first time. Williams nevertheless qualified for London, as third placer Ross did not have an A standard jump. For the 35 year old Nieto the meet was a continuation of an excellent Trials record, his positions since 2000 being 5=, 1, 2=, 1.

Pole Vault - June 28, 17.05 Hr

		5.40	5.50	5.60	5.67	5.72	5.82
1. Brad Walker (Nike)	18-7¼ (5.67)	p	o	xo	xo	p	xxx
2. Jeremy Scott (Nike)	18-4½ (5.60)	o	o	o	xxx		
3. Scott Roth (unat)	18-4½ (5.60)	p	xo	xo	p	xxx	
4. Derek Miles (Nike)	18-4½ (5.60)	o	xxo	xo	xxx		
5. Mark Hollis (Nike)	18-4½ (5.60)	o	p	xxo	p	xxx	
6. Dustin DeLeo (unat)	18-½ (5.50)	o	o	xxx			
7. Michael Woepse (UCLA)	18-½ (5.50)	xxo	xo	xxx			
=8. Rory Quiller (unat)	17-8½ (5.40)						
=8. Jack Whitt (OR)	17-8½ (5.40)						

... nh—Darren Niedermeyer (JHAC), Jordan Scott (unat).

Qualifying - June 25, 17.30 Hr; auto-qualifier 18-6½/5.65

Qualifiers: Hollis, Roth, Je. Scott, Walker, & Whitt cleared 17-8½ (5.40); DeLeo, Miles, Niedermeyer, Quiller, Jo.

Scott & Woepse cleared 17-4½ (5.30); Non-qualifiers: nh— Christopher Swanson (unat); [nh @ 17-8½]—Mike Arnold (IdSt), Logan Cunningham (unat);... [nh @ 17-4½]—Seth Arnold (unat), Jason Colwick (unat), Nick Frawley (USAF), Andrew Irwin (Ar), Levi Keller (unat), Nikita Kirillov (GaT), Paul Litchfield (unat), Nick Mossberg (unat), Jacob Pauli (unat) & Cale Simmons (AF).

The rain and wind which affected the High Jump was as much a problem for the vaulters. With only four A-standard jumpers in the final the odds were on a non-qualified athlete finishing in the top-3. 6 of the 11 finalists had been eliminated after 18'4 ½, leaving 3 "A" jumpers plus Roth and Hollis. With only Walker able to clear 18'7 ¼, Scott and 4th placed Miles joined Walker as Olympians. For Walker it was a second OG selection, but his OT record was superseded next by that of Miles, whose finishes from 2000 were =3rd, 3rd, 1st, 4th.

Long Jump - June 24, 15.00 Hr

1. Marquise Goodwin (Tx)	27-4 (8.33)	8.07, x, 8.23, 8.21w, 7.72, 8.33
2. Will Claye (Nike)	27-0w (8.23)	x, 7.77, 8.23w, x, x, 8.22
3. George Kitchens (unat)	26-11¼ (8.21)	x, 8.02, 8.21, x, 7.99, 7.91w
4. Christian Taylor (Li Ning)	26-7¾ (8.12)	x, 7.98, 8.11, 8.12, x, 8.12
5. Norris Frederick (unat)	26-1 (7.95)	7.58, x, x, 7.95, 5.76, 7.86);
6. Mike Hartfield (OhSt)	25-6¾ (7.79)	
7. JaRod Tobler (unat)	25-6 (7.77)	
8. George Fields (Shore)	24-11¾ (7.61)	
9. Reindell Cole (unat) 22-4¼ (6.81); 10. Joe Allen (unat) 22-1¾ (6.75);... 3f—Marquis Dendy (Fl), Ron Taylor (Hastings).		

Qualifying - June 22, 17.45 Hr; auto-qualifier 26-11/8.20

Qualifiers: Claye 26-2¼ (7.98), Taylor 26-1¼ (7.93), Taylor 25-10¾ (7.89), Frederick 25-8¾ (7.84), Fields 25-6¾ (7.79),

Allen 25-5¼ (7.75), Dendy 25-4½ (7.73), Kitchens 25-3½ (7.71), Cole 25-3¼ (7.70), Goodwin, Hartfield & Tobler 25-2½ (7.68); Non-qualifiers: Bashir Ramzy (unat) 25-2 (7.67), Levance Williams (ACU) 24-11¼ (7.61), Mikese Morse (unat) 24-11¼ (7.60), Jeremy Hicks (unat) 24-9¾ (7.56), Kendall Spencer (NM) 24-9¼ (7.55), Tyron Stewart (CVE) 24-7¼ (7.50), Trevell Quinley (unat) 24-7 (7.49), Mychael Stewart (unat) 24-5 (7.44), Zedric Thomas (unat) 24-3½ (7.40), LaVell Handy (GM) 23-10 (7.26), Jarrod Hutchen (SC) 23-7¼ (7.19), Randall Flimmons (unat) 23-5¼ (7.14), Bracin Walker (unat) 21-7½ (6.59)

Goodwin, the NCAA winner, and reigning US champion was a solid favorite, and after a hiccup which saw him as one of the lowest qualifiers, he dominated the final with 3 of the top 6 jumps. Goodwin led after the first round with 26'5 ¾, and improved to 27-0 in the third stanza. That round saw TJers Claye and Taylor put in contending marks of 27-0w and 26'7 ½ respectively, while George Kitchens improved his lifetime best to an "A" standard 26'11 ¼. Taylor improved slightly with two 26'7 ¾ jumps, but it was Claye and Goodwin who produced some fireworks, with Claye reaching 26 11 ½ in the final round, to be followed by Goodwin's PR of 27-4, giving him a rare NCAA/OT double. Goodwin went on to lead the Olympic qualifying round before placing only 10th in the final, and then moved on to the NFL

Triple Jump - June 30, 16.40 Hr

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| 1. Christian Taylor (Li Ning) | 57-10¼ | (17.63) | 17.63, x, p, p, p |
| 2. Will Claye (Nike) | 57-7 | (17.55) | 17.55, 17.28, 17.29, p, p, p |
| 3. Walter Davis (unat) | 54-9¼ | (16.69) | 16.69, 16.50, 15.97, x, 16.28, x |
| 4. Omar Craddock (FI) | 54-3¾ | (16.55) | 16.55, 16.49, x, x, x, 14.09 |
| 5. Brandon Roulhac (Shore) | 54-2¾ | (16.53) | 16.53, 15.71, 15.73, 15.55, 15.91, 16.43 |
| 6. Nkosinza Balumbu (Mizuno) | 53-9¼ | (16.39) | |
| 7. Rafeeq Curry (Shore) | 53-7½ | (16.34) | |
| 8. Troy Doris (Ia) | 53-7 | (16.33) | |
9. Aarik Wilson (unat) 53-5(16.28); 10. Zedric Thomas (unat) 52-6¼ (16.02); 11. Chris Benard (AzSt) 52-6 (16.00); ... nm—Ryan Grinnell (unat).

Qualifying - June 28, 16.30 Hr; at-qualifier 56-5¼/17.20

Qualifiers: Taylor 56-8 (17.27), Claye 55-1½ (16.80), Wilson 54-8 (16.66), Davis 54-4½ (16.57), Roulhac 54-3¼ (16.54), Benard 54-0 (16.46), Balumbu & Craddock 53-11¼ (16.45), Doris 53-10½ (16.42), Curry 53-10¼ (16.41), Grinnell 53-4½ (16.27), Thomas 53-3 (16.23), Chris Carter (unat) 53-2¾ (16.22); Non-qualifiers: Alphonso Jordan (unat) 53-1½ (16.19), Ethan DeJongh (unat) 52-9½ (16.09), Floyd Ross (NM) 52-2 (15.90), Jonathan Clark (unat) 51-10½ (15.81), Josh Como (CVE) 51-8½ (15.76), Lawrence Willis (USEx) 51-7¼ (15.74), Marcus Robinson (Va) 51-5½ (15.68), Tydree Lewis (unat) 51-¾ (15.56), Phillip Young (FlSt) 50-1¼ (15.27), LaVell Handy (GM) 50-¾w (15.26);... dnc—Tyron Stewart (CVE).

Claye, the World Indoor champion, and Taylor, the World Outdoor champion, were solid favourites to make the team, but it was uncertain who might join them. In the event no-one did, as none of the others jumpers was able to get within a foot of the 56-5 ¼ standard required. Claye opened his account with an outdoor PR of 57-7, to which Taylor responded with 57-10 ¼, and the competition was effectively over. Taylor went on to jump 58-5 ¼ to win the Olympic title from Claye's outdoor PR of 57'9 ¾.

Shot Put - June 24, 15.30 Hr

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| 1. Reese Hoffa (Nike) | 72-2¼ | (22.00) | 21.46, 21.28, 22.00, x, 21.46, 21.93 |
| 2. Ryan Whiting (Nike) | 71-0¾ | (21.66) | 21.66, x, 21.07, 21.28, 21.12, 21.46 |
| 3. Christian Cantwell (Nike) | 69-9¼ | (21.28) | 20.74, x, 21.28, x, 21.02, 20.81 |
| 4. Joe Kovacs (PennSt) | 69-2 | (21.08) | 19.56, 20.20, 21.08, x, 20.53, 19.91 |
| 5. Kurt Roberts (unat) | 68-1 | (20.75) | 20.45, x, 19.73, 19.99, 20.75, 20.53 |
| 6. Cory Martin (Nike) | 67-11 | (20.70) | 20.17, 20.01, x, x, 20.70, x |
| 7. Jacob Thormaehlen (Tx) | 64-10 | (19.76) | |
| 8. Jordan Clarke (AzSt) | 64-1¾ | (19.55) | |
9. Eric Werskey (CtQ) 62-9½ (19.14); 10. Kevin Bookout (unat) 62-6½ (19.06); 11. Blake Eaton (unat) 61-8½ (18.81); 12. Rob Golabek (Buf) 61-¾ (18.61).

Qualifying - June 23, 15.00 Hr; auto-qualifier 67-3¼/20.50

Qualifiers: Hoffa 69-7½ (21.22), Cantwell 66-5¼ (20.25), Whiting 65-5 (19.94), Thormaehlen 65-0 (19.81), Eaton 64-7¼ (19.70), Roberts 64-½ (19.52), Martin 62-10¼ (19.17), Clarke 62-9½ (19.14), Golabek 61-11 (18.87), Kovacs 61-10¼ (18.85), Bookout 61-9 (18.82), Werskey 61-7 (18.77); Non-qualifiers: Lucas Pinkelman (Nb) 60-8½ (18.50), Zack Lloyd (unat) & Adam Nelson (Saucony) 60-7¼ (18.47), Dan Taylor (Nike) 60-4½ (18.40), Noah Bryant (unat) 59-11¾ (18.28), Matt DeChant (OhSt) 59-5¾ (18.13), Hayden Baillio (Tx) 57-3¼ (17.47), Derrick Vicars (Find) 56-10¼ (17.34), Chris Figures (unat) 56-6½ (17.23), Nick Jones (ACU) 55-7½ (16.95);... nm—Caleb Whitener (Ga), John Ybarra (unat).

As the largest beef producing nation in the world, it is no surprise that the US produces such high quality shot putters. However, one of the sadder moments of the Trials was the failure of injury affected Adam Nelson to make the final. Nelson, who had won in 2000-04 and had placed no worse than second in 6 World/Olympic finals since 2000, was only able to reach 60-7 ¼ in the qualifying. Whiting, the World Indoor champion led the first round with 71'0 ¾ ahead of Hoffa's 70-5, and they looked as though they had booked their ticket with those throws. Cantwell improved from 68-0 ½ to 69-9 ¾ in round three, and needed it to hold off surprising Joe Kovacs who set a PR with 69-2. Hoffa showed great consistency with a Trials record 4 throws over 70ft, headed by his third round 72'2 ½.

Discus Throw - June 28, 18.05 Hr

1. Lance Brooks (Nike)	213-9	(65.15)	64.13, 64.15, 64.44, x, x, 65.15
2. Jarred Rome (Nike)	207-10	(63.35)	61.26, x, x, x, 60.46, 63.35
3. Jason Young (Nike)	203-11	(62.15)	61.50, 61.83, 61.62, x, 62.07, 62.15
4. Ian Waltz (NYAC)	201-2	(61.33)	x, 59.72, 61.33, 60.55, 61.24, x
5. Russ Winger (Asics)	200-11	(61.24)	59.20, x, x, 61.24, x, 60.02
6. Casey Malone (Nike)	200-6	(61.11)	59.85, 60.47, 60.81, 60.39, 58.69, 61.11
7. Dan Hytinen (unat)	195-10	(59.69)	
8. Wes Stockbarger (unat)	194-2	(59.19)	
9. Nick Jones (ACU) 188-8 (57.50); 10. Will Conwell (Brk) 188-4 (57.41); 11. Luke Bryant (Ok) 187-6 (57.17); 12. Chase Madison (unat) 178-9 (54.49)			

Qualifying - June 25, 15.30 Hr; auto-qualifier 213-2/65.00

Qualifiers: Brooks 212-7 (64.80), Winger 205-5 (62.61), Rome 202-11 (61.84), Young 201-3 (61.34), Waltz 201-1 (61.30), Malone 199-2 (60.71), Conwell 198-10 (60.61), Stockbarger 197-5 (60.19), Hytinen 196-4 (59.85), Madison 195-4 (59.55), Jones 194-1 (59.17), Bryant 192-7 (58.71);

Non-qualifiers: Mason Finley (Ks) 192-2 (58.59), Nate Moses (ConcOr) 190-9 (58.14), Jared Thomas (SFl) 190-2 (57.96), Bryan Powlen (unat) 189-4 (57.72), Jon Tipton (unat) 188-2 (57.36), Brian Trainor (unat) 188-2 (57.35), Jared Schuurmans (Brk) 186-10 (56.94), Jon Bowman (unat) 185-9 (56.63), Adam Kuehl (Nike) 185-8 (56.61), Jason Dixon (unat) 180-9 (55.11), Brian Bishop (unat) 179-11 (54.86)

Showing fine competitive fire, Lance Brooks dominated the Trials, leading the qualifying with 212-7, and then improving to a PR 213-9, which gave him the "A" level throw of 213'3 he needed to make the team. In all, Brooks had 5 throws beyond the best of the rest. Jarred Rome (207-10) and Jason Young (203-11) were the others to make the team, but none were able to qualify for the Olympic final, with Young (204'0) the best in 18th place. A warning that the US had dropped in world standards could be seen from the average of the top-3 in the Trials, which over the last 4 decades has read as follows:

1972	206'4	1984	217'5	1996	211'10	2008	210'3
1976	219'2	1988	214'7	2000	208'8	2012	208'6
1980	222'2	1992	209'0	2004	213'3		

The last Americans to medal in the event were John Powell and Mac Wilkins in 1984.

Hammer Throw - June 21, Beaverton , 15.15 Hr – first 3 rounds, then 17.15 Hr

1. Kibwé Johnson (Nike)	245-11	(74.97)	74.40, 73.70, x, 72.60, 74.97, x
2. Chris Cralle (unat)	243-11	(74.36)	72.05, 74.35, 72.95, 72.20, 74.36, 73.96
3. A.G. Kruger (Nike)	242-6	(73.93)	73.93, x, 71.53, 73.37, 73.85, 72.29
4. Conor McCullough (unat)	241-3	(73.55)	73.55, x, 70.38, x, 73.42, 72.61
5. Drew Loftin (unat)	241-2	(73.51)	70.82, 71.59, 73.51, 70.14, 72.21, 69.35
6. Andy Fryman (Mjo)	238-3	(72.63)	x, 68.27, 71.49, x, 72.63, 70.80
7. Garland Porter (unat)	232-11	(71.01)	
8. Jake Freeman (Nike)	231-0	(70.41)	
Lucas MacKay (OTC) 225-11 (68.87); 10. Michael Mai (USAr) 225-8 (68.78); 11. Kevin Becker (Shore) 223-3 (68.04); 12. Colin Dunbar (unat) 222-8 (67.86); 13. Ryan Loughney (unat) 222-5 (67.79); 14. Jeremy Postin (Fl) 221-6 (67.51); 15. Christopher Bryce (unat) 218-2 (66.51); 16. Travis Nutter (unat) 217-8 (66.36); 17. Brian Richotte (unat) 217-6 (66.30); 18. Nicholas Welihozkiy (GWAC) 215-9 (65.77); 19. Alec Faldermeyer (UCLA) 215-0 (65.54); 20. Michael Lauro (LSU) 212-0 (64.62); 21. Zach Hazen (unat) 201-9 (61.51); 22. Collin Post (AzDT) 195-3 (59.51);... nm—Justin Welch (Ga);... dnc—William Royer (Indy).			

The setting of Beaverton, the home of OT principal sponsor Nike, was set up with seating for 3000, and in comparison to Eugene where the throwers were always relegated to a field adjacent to the main arena, the throwers felt the attention and appreciation of the crowd. The favourite was Johnson, who had thrown over 80 meters in 2011, but was clearly not in the same condition in 2012. Nevertheless Johnson led the first round with 244'0 from 2008 winner Kruger (242'6) and McCullough (241'3). Chris Cralle, who had opened with a PR 236'5, then moved into second with 243'10 ½, and the top four positions were settled. Both Johnson (245'11) and Cralle (243'11) improved, but it was Johnson, together with Kruger, who had thrown 259'10 earlier in the season, who made the US team. The highly

competitive Cralle beat his previous PR with all 6 of his throws, and a record 8 Americans went over 230 feet in the same competition.

Javelin Throw - June 25, 18.00 Hr

1. Sam Humphreys (TxAM)	268-7	(81.86)	80.74, 81.86, x, 76.16, 80.84, 80.44
2. Sam Crouser (Or)	265-1	(80.80)	x, 74.70, 75.60, 75.38, x, 80.80
3. Craig Kinsley (unat)	262-2	(79.92)	74.30, 78.04, 77.45, 75.98, 79.69, 79.92
4. Sean Furey (Mizuno)	255-5	(77.86)	77.86, 76.15, x, 77.50, x, 76.83
5. Cyrus Hostetler (OTC)	254-8	(77.63)	75.80, 77.63, x, p, x, 76.54
6. Tim Glover (IISt)	250-0	(76.21)	72.19, 73.98, 76.21, 72.89, 70.10, 73.50
7. Corey White (unat)	248-5	(75.73)	
8. Sean Keller (WaHS)	246-5	(75.12)	
9. Aris Borjas (unat) 242-5 (73.89); 10. Barry Krammes (Shore) 236-4 (72.05); 11. Richard McKay (LaM) 223-5 (68.11); 12. Benjamin Woodruff (LBSt) 215-7 (65.73).			

June 23, 12.30 Hr; auto-qualifier 269-0/82.00

Qualifiers: Glover 263-4 (80.27), Humphreys 256-3 (78.12), Krammes 255-10 (77.99), Kinsley 254-5 (77.54), Keller 253-0 (77.12), Furey 249-4 (76.00), Crouser 248-0 (75.60), Hostetler 245-2 (74.74), Borjas 241-8 (73.66), White 241-7 (73.63), McKay 237-2 (72.29), Woodruff 235-2 (71.69), Non-qualifiers: Trent Mazanec (unat) 234-11 (71.61), Ben Lincoln (WF) 233-3 (71.10), Ben Chretien (McN) 232-11 (70.99), Andy Fahringer (Va) 232-4 (70.83), Riley Dolezal (TND) 232-3 (70.78), Ryan Brandel (unat) 230-6 (70.27), Ryan Young (Nike) 229-9 (70.04), Brian Chaput (JavUSA) 223-11 (68.26), Jason Flanagan (CCar) 209-4 (63.81), Nick Lyons (unat) 204-9 (62.40), Colin Moleton (unat) 196-8 (59.95);... nm—Mike Hazle (Nike) (p, p, f), Alex Wolff (unat) (f, f, p).

This event more than any other showed the weakness of the system of allowing A standard throwers to make the team at the expense of more competitive OT competitors. Tim Glover led the qualifying with 263-4, with big (6⁷/253) Sam Humphreys second with 256-3. Humphreys opened up with a PR 264-10, and followed it with 268-7, some 5 inches short of the OG “A” level. Humphreys closed with 2 more throws beyond his pre-Trials PR, and only Sam Crouser with his own PR of 265-1 was able to get close. Kinsley, Furey and Hostetler all had “A” throws and consequently made the team. Kinsley threw a respectable 256’6 in London to place 23rd and was the best of the Americans, but as the USA team was settled by the end of the Trials, the top-2 throwers were unable to qualify for the Olympics. The USOC claimed that they required the full period between the Trials and the Games (33 days for Track and Field), so for future reference and the benefit of the athletes the Trials could either be moved 1-2 weeks to allow the top-3 placed athletes in each event the opportunity to make the standard, or the USOC could work to reduce the 33 days to 20 days to allow the same window of opportunity for the athletes – reverting to the same qualifying system if top-3 athletes failed to reach the required standard.

Decathlon - June 22–23

1. Ashton Eaton (OTC)	[4728/1]	9029 WR
10.21 , 8.23, 14.20, 2.05, 46.70, 13.70, 42.81, 5.30, 58.87, 4:14.48		
2. Trey Hardee (Nike)	[4406/2]	8383
10.50, 7.55, 15.72, 1.99, 49.11, 13.71, 49.05, 5.00, 57.00, 5:08.67		
3. Gray Horn (unat)	[4084/4]	7954
10.93, 7.60, 13.49, 1.96, 50.66, 14.41, 38.34, 5.00, 56.31, 4:33.02		
4. Joe Detmer (unat)	[4019/6]	7931
10.97, 7.38, 13.18, 1.90, 49.14, 14.92, 40.30, 4.90, 54.39, 4:14.77		
5. Chris Helwick (unat)	[3727/13]	7744
11.49, 6.78, 14.25, 1.93, 51.97, 15.30, 43.61, 4.90, 68.37, 4:33.87		
6. Ryan Harlan (unat)	[3977/8]	7715
11.26, 6.74, 15.48, 2.02, 50.78, 14.43, 44.70, 4.80, 60.73, 5:18.20		
7. Miller Moss (unat)	[3935/10]	7712
10.85, 6.91, 14.03, 1.87, 49.62, 14.91, 44.76, 4.70, 53.22, 4:36.84		
8. Kevin Lazas (Ar)	[3972/9]	7660
11.10, 7.44, 13.95, 1.93, 51.44, 15.25, 38.79, 5.00, 54.73, 4:43.39		
9. Chris Randolph (Skech)	[3708/14]	7468
11.39, 6.69, 13.22, 1.90, 50.40, 15.28, 45.33, 4.60, 60.81, 4:48.09		
10. Isaac Murphy (Tx)	[3823/11]	7368
10.77, 6.99, 13.04, 1.81, 50.45, 14.92, 43.51, 4.60, 46.30, 4:48.74		
11. Curtis Beach (Duke)	[4004/7]	7109
10.88, 7.42, 11.83, 1.87, 47.82, 14.79, 39.44, 4.40, nm, 4:14.96		
12. Bryan Clay (Asics)	[4252/3]	7092
10.45, 7.40, 15.63, 1.96, 51.21, 16.81, nm, 4.80, 66.80, 5:09.62		
13. Dave Grzesiak (Wi)	[3582/16]	7009
11.56, 6.50, 12.58, 1.90, 50.48, 15.36, 34.52, 4.60, 50.57, 4:40.91		
14. Eric Broadbent (HPC)	[4033/5]	6652

10.99, 7.31, 12.43, 2.02, 49.73, 14.68, 34.43, nh, 46.40, 4:46.10		
15. Corbin Duer (unat)	[3797/12]	6584
11.36, 7.08, 12.62, 1.96, 50.96, 15.23, 40.61, nh, 51.44, 4:40.44		
16. Jake Arnold (Asics)	[3674/15]	6524
11.20, 6.29, 13.72, 1.90, 50.71, 14.54, 43.51, nh, 58.60, 5:12.30		
- . Dakotah Keys (Or)		2865
11.37, 6.82, 12.76, 184		
- . Mike Ayers (Ga)		2861
11.28, nm, 13.10, 1.84, 51.93		
- . Wesley Bray (unat)		2390
10.99, 6.97, 13.86,		

Despite the presence of Trey Hardee and Bryan Clay, the World and Olympic champions, it was Ashton Eaton that the crowd were anxious to see. The Oregon graduate had set a Heptathlon WR at the World Indoor championships in March, and expectations were high for him in the Trials. With the light drizzle and light winds the consensus was that sprint times would not be exceptional, but Eaton flowed away from the field and clocked a decathlon WR of 10.21/+0.4. Behind him Clay (10.45) and Hardee (10.50) both ran well. Eaton then jumped 27-0 to set his 2nd WR of the day. That standard couldn't be maintained, of course, but he still finished Day 1 with 4728 (10 short of O'Brien's best set at the 1994 US Championships). Behind him Hardee (4406) and Clay (4252) looked comfortably positioned for London. Eaton opened Day 2 with a good but not sensational hurdle time of 13.70 just ahead of Hardee (13.71), but Clay had a disaster, hitting the 8th and 9th hurdles before knocking over the 10th with his hand. Initially disqualified, Clay then fouled his 3 throws in the discus, one of them over 50 meters, before being reinstated, but by then it was too late. Eaton had a poor Discus of 42.81, while Hardee reached 49.05 to pull within 195 points of Eaton with 6269. Eaton then cleared 5.30, and asked Harry Marra what he needed to do to break the US record. Marra replied "Ashton, the World record". His 58.87 in the Javelin was short of his PR (61.68), but his best in a Decathlon, and his excellent 4:14.48 eased him ahead of Roman Sebrle's WR by just 3 points with 9029. Had Eaton equalled his throwing PRs his score would have been 9205, leaving room to speculate how Eaton might improve in the future. Hardee was a good second with 8383, but the duo was unaccompanied to London, where they scored a 1-2 with 8869 and 8671.

WOMEN

100 meters - June 23, 17.52 Hr; wind +0.9

		Reaction
1. 6. Carmelita Jeter (Nike)	10.92	(0.182)
2. 4. Tianna Madison (Saucony)	10.96	(0.187)
3. 2 Allyson Felix (Nike)	11.07	(0.188)
3. 1. Jeneba Tarmoh (Nike)	11.07	(0.164)
5. 7. Bianca Knight (adidas)	11.14	(0.175)
6. 8. Lauryn Williams (Saucony)	11.18	(0.170)
7. 3. English Gardner (Or)	11.28	(0.153)
8. 5. Alex Anderson (Nike)	11.37	(0.136)

Semi-finals – June 23, 15.40 Hr, Qualify first 2 plus 2

I(0.9)–1. Jeter 11.07; 2. Felix 11.23; 3. Pierre 11.34; 4. Scott 11.37; 5. Lawson 11.54; 6. Hayes 11.59; 7. Love 11.88.

II(1.4)–1. Anderson 11.12; 2. Knight 11.13; 3. L. Williams 11.15; 4. M. Barber 11.26; 5. Moore 11.33; 6. C. Williams 11.41; 7. McGrone 11.42.

III(1.4)–1. Madison 10.96; 2. Gardner 11.10; 3. Tarmoh 11.10; 4. Freeman 11.17; 5. L. Barber 11.24; 6. Solomon 11.29; 7. Townsend 11.56.

Heats - June 22, 18.00 Hr; qualify 3+6

I(0.5)–1. Madison 11.10; 2. Tarmoh 11.16; 3. Knight 11.26; 4. Barbara Pierre (unat) 11.41; 5. Dominique Duncan (TxAM) 11.46; 6. Connie Moore (unat) 11.56; 7. Chastity Riggien (unat) 11.57.

II(1.1)–1. Anderson 11.19; 2. Octavious Freeman (UCF) 11.20; 3. Gardner 11.27; 4. Aurieyall Scott (UCF) 11.31; 5. Tiffany Townsend (adidas) 11.36; 6. Chalonda Goodman (Tx) 11.55.

III(0.1)–1. Jeter 11.20; 2. Chelsea Hayes (LaT) 11.44; 3. Alexis Love (Murr) 11.49; 4. Jessica Young (Saucony) 11.58; 5. Cleo VanBuren (unat) 11.60; 6. Grecia Bolton (Hous) 11.63; 7. Tangela Neal (unat) 11.76.

IV(1.1)–1. Charonda Williams (adidas) 11.33; 2. Lekeisha Lawson (unat) 11.34; 3. LaShaunte'a Moore (Nike) 11.37; 4. Lisa Barber (unat) 11.38; 5. Candyce McGrone (Nike) 11.38; 6. Melinda Smedley (FloFu) 11.55; 7. Ashley Collier (TxAM) 11.57; 8. Amanda Kimbers (Gtn) 11.59 PR.

V(1.6)–1. Felix 11.19; 2. Williams 11.22; 3. Shalonda Solomon (Reeb) 11.27; 4. Miki Barber (Nike) 11.35; 5. Kenyanna Wilson (unat) 11.42; 6. Ashton Purvis (EOYD) 11.53; 7. Shayla Mahan (SC) 11.70.

Jeter, the world's best in 2011, was the prohibitive favourite, with Madison and Felix the next most highly regarded, just ahead of Oregon sophomore English Gardner and the improving Jeneba Tarmoh. After Madison was the fastest in the heats with 11.10, the semi-finals saw Jeter (11.07), Anderson (11.12) and an impressive Madison (10.96) as the winners, with Octavious Freeman the fastest non-qualifier on 11.17.

Tarmoh and Madison were fastest away, with Tarmoh appearing to be leading because Felix in the next lane was lagging behind. Madison was ahead at halfway, with Jeter now in second and Tarmoh solidly in third. Jeter caught Madison with 25m remaining and won by perhaps half a meter from Madison. Behind them Felix closed fast, and from the TV replay looked to be no worse than third equal.

The photo finish, from the inside of the track showed that Tarmoh for her turn could not have been worse than third. Initially, Roger Jennings, technical director of Flash Systems Inc., read the photo as 11.068 for Tarmoh and 11.069 for Felix, and this 3-4 order appeared as the scoreboard result. To be safe Jennings queried the result and checked with meet referee Bob Podkaminer, who overruled the decision and determined the finish as a tie. There was no immediate protocol in place to settle third place ties. In previous trials when ties for third had occurred in the Men's 100 [1952 and 1960] officials had used rational methods to settle selection after the Trials, but here the USOC had required that the team be settled by the end of the Trials – even though both athletes would definitely go to London as members of the relay squad. The USATF, instead of noting that both were on the relay squad and the final decision could be made later, decided that there could either be a run-off at the end of the week or a coin flip. Tarmoh, having been initially announced as third, found the choice too difficult to take and eventually let the USATF know that she would not be considered for the 100m. Tarmoh finished the season with an Olympic relay gold medal and a best of 11.07 (from the Trials), while Felix ran a PR 10.89 for 5th in the Olympic final.

200 meters - June 30, 17.52 Hr; wind +1.0

			Reaction
6. 1. Allyson Felix (Nike)	21.69	(11.1/10.6)	(0.203)
8. 2. Carmelita Jeter (Nike)	22.11	(11.2/10.9)	(0.165)
4. 3. Sanya Richards-Ross (Nike)	22.22	(11.4/10.8)	(0.177)
3. 4. Kimberlyn Duncan (LSU)	22.34	(11.5/10.8)	(0.190)
7. 5. Jeneba Tarmoh (Nike)	22.35	(11.3/11.1)	(0.213)
5. 6. Tianna Madison (Saucony)	22.50	(11.3/11.2)	(0.207)
1. 7. Bianca Knight (adidas)	22.60	(11.5/11.1)	(0.210)
2. 8. Aurieyall Scott (UCF)	22.68	(11.5/11.2)	(0.192)

Semi-finals, 15.00 Hr - June 29; qualify 2+2

I(3.4)–1. Tarmoh 22.30w; 2. Madison 22.33w; 3. Knight 22.34w; 4. Scott 22.56w; 5. Lucas 22.70w; 6. L. Williams 23.07w; 7. Goodman 23.23w.

II(0.6)–1. Richards-Ross 22.15; 2. Duncan 22.37; 3. Moore 22.85; 4. Hastings 22.93; 5. Love 23.10; 6. Solomon 24.17;... dq—Freeman (22.71)

III(0.8)–1. Felix 22.30; 2. Jeter 22.64; 3. Townsend 22.96; 4. C. Williams 22.98; 5. Anderson 23.09; 6. Atkins 23.28; 7. Daniels 23.36.

Heats - June 28, 18.45 Hr; qualify 3+3

I(0.8)–1. Duncan 22.69; 2. Octavious Freeman (UCF) 22.93; 3. LaShaunte'a Moore (Nike) 23.09; 4. Alexis Love (Murr) 23.15; dnc—Amber Purvis (Or).

II(0.5)–1. Richards-Ross 22.67; 2. Charonda Williams (adidas) 22.89; 3. Natasha Hastings (UArm) 23.15; 4. Cambrya Jones (unat) 23.39; 5. Jessica Young (Saucony) 23.69.

III(1.0)–1. Felix 22.82; 2. Shalonda Solomon (Reeb) 22.96; 3. Tiffany Townsend (adidas) 23.06; 4. Joanna Atkins (unat) 23.10; 5. Dominique Duncan (TxAM) 23.28.

IV(1.0)–1. Tarmoh 22.90; 2. Knight 23.11; 3. Paris Daniels (Ks) 23.17; 4. Shareese Woods (unat) 23.33; 5. Aareon Payne (USC) 23.41; 6. Ashley Collier (TxAM) 23.51.

V(0.8)–1. Madison 22.57; 2. Scott 22.72; 3. Lauryn Williams (Saucony) 23.20; 4. Ashton Purvis (EOYD) 23.50; 5. Leslie Cole (unat) 23.66.

VI(1.2)–1. Jeter 22.63; 2. Alexandria Anderson (Nike) 22.98; 3. Porscha Lucas (Saucony) 23.05; 4. Chalonda Goodman (Tx) 23.07; 5. Shayla Mahan (SC) 23.62.

Five time US champion Felix, Jeter, NCAA winner Duncan and Richards-Ross were considered the principal contenders, and all 3 made their way safely to the final, led by Richards-Ross, who was close to her PR (22.09) with 22.15, and Felix who ran an eased-up 22.30.

Jeter and Madison led early on in the final, but Felix stormed clear on the second half of the curve, with a good meter's advantage over the field at halfway, and she smoothly strode away from the field to run 21.68 to move to #4 on the all-time list. Jeter's power kept her ahead of Richards-Ross, as all 3 made their second event for London. Behind them the tall Duncan couldn't overcome a slow first half, while Tarmoh's strength in the last quarter of the race was lacking. The top-5 finished exactly as "Track and Field News" had predicted on Day 1 of the Trials. Ato Boldon, the loquacious and articulate Trinidadian commenting on TV immediately stated that Felix "will go to London as favourite". She duly won there in 21.88 with 2 meters of space between her and 100 winner Fraser-Pryce, while Jeter took the bronze in London. The US's 3 representatives ended up with – medals of each colour for Jeter, 2 Golds for Richards-Ross (including her 3rd consecutive relay gold), and 3 golds for Felix.

400 meters - June 24, 16.35 Hr

			Reaction
1. 5. Sanya Richards-Ross (Nike)	49.28	(23.8, 12.3 [36.1], 13.2)	(0.232)

2. 7. Deedee Trotter (Saucony)	50.02	(24.3, 12.2 [36.5], 13.5)	(0.269)
3. 6. Francena McCorory (adidas)	50.43	(23.5, 12.5 [36.0], 14.4)	(0.259)
4. 8. Diamond Dixon (Ks)	50.88	(24.3, 12.6 [36.9], 14.0)	(0.340)
5. 1. Keshia Baker (Saucony)	51.23	(24.2, 12.5 [36.7], 14.5)	(0.273)
6. 3. Natasha Hastings (U Armor)	51.28	(23.9, 12.6 [36.5], 14.8)	(0.200)
7. 2. Jessica Beard (adidas)	51.52	(24.1, 12.7 [36.8], 14.7)	(0.264)
- . 4. Debbie Dunn (Nike) (50.78)	DQ	(23.7, 12.6 [36.3], 14.5)	(0.198)

Semi-finals - June 23, 17.15 Hr; qualify 4

I-1. Richards-Ross 50.81; 2. Trotter 51.23; 3. Dixon 51.58; 4. Baker 51.62; 5. Wineberg 51.94; 6. Robinson 52.48; 7. Alexander 52.69; 8. Eke 53.46.

II-1. McCorory 50.55; 2. Dunn 50.99; 3. Hastings 51.28; 4. Beard 51.59; 5. Atkins 51.76; 6. Eutsey 53.22; 7. Hargrove 53.71; 8. Francis 55.46

Heats - June 22, 15.35 Hr; qualify 3+4

I-1. McCorory 51.11; 2. Beard 51.75; 3. Phyllis Francis (Or) 52.82; 4. Moushaumi Robinson (unat) 53.02; 5. Lakeisha Williams (Aub) 54.29; 6. Ciara Short (unat) 54.40.

II-1. Richards-Ross 51.69; 2. Dunn 52.24; 3. Rebecca Alexander (LSU) 52.30; 4. Chelise Williams (Nike) 53.64; 5. Brianna Frazier (NFI) 54.33; 6. Samantha Edwards (VaSt) 54.45.

III-1. Hastings 51.86; 2. Baker 52.02; 3. Joanna Atkins (unat) 52.20; 4. Catherine Eke (unat) 53.12; 5. Ebony Eutsey (FL) 53.20; 6. Jessica Cousins (unat) 53.54;...dnc—Ashley Liverpool (Ia).

IV-1. Trotter 51.64; 2. Mary Wineberg (NYAC) 51.93; 3. Dixon 52.66; 4. Monica Hargrove (UArm) 52.70; 5. Leslie Cole (unat) 53.45; 6. Briana Nelson (unat) 56.13.

Richards-Ross the 2008 winner, and clearly focused on making up for previously lost Gold medals at World and Olympic championships, was a prohibitive favourite. Controlled wins of 51.69 and 50.81 in the qualifying rounds did nothing to contradict her status, though McCorory was the fastest qualifier. In the final Richards-Ross started well, and made up two meters on McCorory in the first 100m. McCorory, suddenly aware of Richards-Ross, then sped off like a startled rabbit, and led by more than two meters at halfway. By 300m Richards-Ross was reeling her in, and the favourite went away to win by 6 meters, with Trotter speeding by McCorory with 50m remaining. McCorory barely held off Dunn for the final spot, but that would later become irrelevant when it was determined that Dunn had failed a drugs test. Diamond Dixon and Keshia Baker took the Olympic relay spots with their 4/5 placings, and would perform admirably in the heats in London, before the US won the final by a full 30 meters.

800 Meters - June 25, 18.50 Hr

1. Alysia Montaño (Nike)	1:59.08	26.55, 55.88, 1:26.59
2. Geena Gall (OTC)	1:59.24	27.95, 57.88, 1:28.56
3. Alice Schmidt (Nike)	1:59.46	27.38, 57.18, 1:28.07
4. Molly Beckwith (Saucony)	1:59.68	27.83, 57.63, 1:28.05
5. Phoebe Wright (Nike)	1:59.72	27.60, 57.45, 1:28.28
6. Brenda Martinez (N Balance)	2:01.67	28.42, 58.29, 1:28.32
7. Heather Kampf (Asics)	2:02.86	28.00, 58.13, 1:29.80
8. Maggie Vessey (N Balance)	2:03.44	28.22, 58.38, 1:29.21

Semi-finals - June 23, 16.30 Hr; qualify 2+2)

I-1. Beckwith 2:00.57; 2. Gall 2:00.58; 3. Wright 2:00.88; 4. Kampf 2:02.59; 5. Martinez 2:02.82; 6. Infeld 2:03.30; 7. Mackie 2:04.45; 8. Wilson 2:04.96.

II-1. Montano 2:00.25; 2. Schmidt 2:00.50; 3. Vessey 2:01.01; 4. Roesler 2:03.35; 5. Wallace 2:04.14; 6. Palmer 2:04.53; 7. Miller 2:05.58; 8. Leinert 2:07.63.

Heats - June 22, 17.00 Hr; qualify 3+4)

I-1. Gall 2:02.96; 2. Vessey 2:03.31; 3. Maggie Infeld (NYAC) 2:03.53; 4. Charlene Lipsey (LSU) 2:03.74; 5. Mary Cain (BronxvTC) 2:04.11; 6. Kate Grace (Oise) 2:04.28; 7. Christina Rodgers (unat) 2:08.06; 8. Heidi Dahl (N Balance) 2:09.49.

II-1. Montano 2:02.61; 2. Shannon Leinert (BRiv) 2:02.78; 3. Laura Roesler (Or) 2:03.11; 4. Nachele Mackie (BYU) 2:03.30; 5. Amy Weissenbach (CaHS) 2:06.46; 6. Rebekka Simko (PennSt) 2:07.33; 7. Lyndsay Harper (unat) 2:08.33; 8. Latavia Thomas (Nike) 2:28.43.

III-1. Beckwith 2:00.61; 2. Wright 2:00.83; 3. Martinez 2:01.43; 4. Kampf 2:01.54; 5. Lea Wallace (Nike) 2:02.94; 6. Ashley Miller (Nb) 2:03.34; 7. Caroline King (unat) 2:05.25; 8. Stephanie Brown (Ar) 2:06.36.

IV-1. Schmidt 2:03.51; 2. Ajee' Wilson (NJHS) 2:03.63; 3. Katie Palmer (unat) 2:03.66; 4. Chanelle Price (Tn) 2:04.17; 5. Erica Moore (Nike) 2:04.44; 6. Stephanie Charnigo (NYNY) 2:05.28; 7. Lindsey Schnell (Brooks) 2:06.50; 8. Laura Januszewski (Brooks) 2:07.50

After heats which saw no-one duck under 2 minutes Alysia Montaño did exactly as she had done in the two preliminary rounds – go straight into the lead and stay there. By 200 meters she was 10 meters clear, and continued there until the finishing straight, where the next 4 closed in while battling for the remaining 2 Olympic spots.

Montaño's fading last 100m of 16.5 only just held on against Gall's 15.33, but she had achieved her aim. "I wanted to simulate what it would be like on the world stage".

1500 Meters - July 1, 16.23 Hr

		400 / 800 / 1100 /last 400
1. Morgan Uceny (adidas)	4:04.59	66.40/2:14.30/3:04.46/60.1
2. Shannon Rowbury (Nike)	4:05.11	66.51/2:14.54/3:04.66/60.5
3. Jenny Simpson (N Balance)	4:05.17	66.78/2:14.36/3:04.51/60.7
4. Gabriele Anderson (Brooks)	4:07.38	66.59/2:14.70/3:05.01/62.4
5. Anna Pierce (Nike)	4:07.78	66.65/2:14.93/3:05.33/62.5
6. Sarah Bowman (N Balance)	4:08.25	67.10/2:14.51/3:04.80/63.5
7. Maggie Infeld (NYAC)	4:08.31	67.15/2:14.97/3:05.31/63.0
8. Alice Schmidt (Nike)	4:09.64	66.77/2:14.91/3:05.68/64.0

9. Katie Mackey (Brooks) 4:11.46 10. Nicole Schappert (NYAC) 4:13.51, 11. Treniere Moser (Nike) 4:15.84, 12. Brenda Martinez (N Balance) 4:17.41, 13. Sara Vaughn (Nike) 4:30.89

Semi-finals - June 29, 15.45 Hr; qualify 5+2

I-1. Uceny 4:08.90; 2. Simpson 4:09.12; 3. Infeld 4:09.38; 4. Pierce 4:09.51; 5. Schappert 4:09.60; 6. Moser 4:10.10; 7. Martinez 4:10.73; 8. Flood 4:11.38 ; 9. Tomlin 4:11.39; 10. Miller 4:11.49; 11. Feldman 4:12.29; 12. Hamric 4:12.52
II-1. Rowbury 4:09.96; 2. Anderson 4:10.08 (originally DQed; advanced on appeal); 3. Mackey 4:10.54; 4. Vaughn 4:10.57; 5. Bowman 4:10.65; 6. Schmidt 4:10.94; 7. Mortimer 4:12.04; 8. Grace 4:12.92; 9. Wright 4:13.65; 10. Kampf 4:14.03; 11. Hasay 4:15.52; 12. Salerno 4:16.33.

Heats - June 28, 15.50 Hr; qualify 6+6

I-1. Rowbury 4:16.17; 2. Simpson 4:16.70; 3. Bowman 4:16.86; 4. Schappert 4:16.89; 5. Vaughn 4:17.08; 6. Heather Kampf (Asics) 4:17.29; 7. Kate Grace (Oise) 4:17.65; 8. Cory McGee (Fl) 4:17.76; 9. Stephanie Charnigo (NJNY) 4:19.09.

II-1. Uceny 4:14.07; 2. Anderson 4:14.23; 3. Mackey 4:14.28; 4. Infeld 4:14.60; 5. Moser 4:14.79; 6. Greta Feldman (Prin) 4:14.89; 7. Karly Hamric (Riad) 4:15.33; 8. Ashley Miller (Nb) 4:15.34; 9. Katie Flood (Wa) 4:15.45; 10. Lauren Bonds (adiR) 4:20.75.

III-1. Schmidt 4:15.70; 2. Pierce 4:15.86; 3. Amy Mortimer (Saucony) 4:16.02; 4. Jordan Hasay (Or) 4:16.06; 5. Martinez 4:16.11; 6. Phoebe Wright (Nike) 4:16.29; 7. Renee Tomlin (Nike) 4:16.36; 8. Melissa Salerno (unat) 4:16.50; 9. Heidi Dahl (N Balance) 4:27.68.

The pre-meet favorites were Uceny, the world's best in 2011, Simpson, the World champion, and 2008 Trials winner Rowbury. Uceny won the first semi-final from Simpson, while Rowbury edged Gabriele Anderson in the second race. Anderson was initially disqualified for bumping Amy Mortimer, but then reinstated and Alice Schmidt, included in the final after the DQ, was retained on reversal of the decision. Martinez led the field through laps of 66.16 and 2:14.10, which dropped none of the contenders. Uceny then took over the lead, and controlled the race from the front, and held off Rowbury and Simpson in a drive which featured a last 200m in 29.66. Alas Uceny, who had tripped in the Daegu final, did so again in the London final, while Rowbury was the best placed American in the Olympics, placing sixth.

3000 meters steeplechase - June 29, 16.45 Hr

		Estimated kilometre splits
1. Emma Coburn (Co)	9:32.78	3:06.5/ 3:11.9 [6:18.4]/ 3:14.4
2. Bridget Franek (OTC)	9:35.62	3:07.4/ 3:13.5 [6:20.9]/ 3:14.7
3. Shalaya Kipp (Co)	9:35.73	3:07.8/ 3:12.9 [6:20.7]/ 3:15.0
4. Ashley Higginson (Saucony)	9:38.06	3:07.1/ 3:14.9 [6:22.0]/ 3:16.1
5. Lisa Aguilera (Nike)	9:41.95	3:08.4/ 3:15.1 [6:23.5]/ 3:18.5
6. Carrie Dimoff (BowAC)	9:45.01	3:08.5/ 3:17.8 [6:26.3]/ 3:18.7
7. Delilah DiCrescenzo (Puma)	9:46.30	3:06.8/ 3:14.9 [6:21.7]/ 3:24.6
8. Sara Hall (Asics)	9:47.63	3:07.8/ 3:14.4 [6:22.2]/ 3:25.4

9. Stephanie Garcia (N Balance) 9:50.74; 10. Sarah Pease (unat) 9:53.62; 11. Mason Cathey (Saucony) 9:54.07; 12. Jamie Cheever (Oise) 9:56.51; 13. Rebeka Stowe (Ks) 10:02.82; 14. Rebecca Wade (Rice) 10:10.50.

Heats - June 25, 16.50 Hr; qualify 5+4

I-1. Coburn 9:43.19; 2. Kipp 9:46.17; 3. Cathey 9:47.32 ; 4. DiCrescenzo 9:49.15; 5. Wade 9:50.66; 6. Aguilera 9:51.02; 7. Stowe 9:53.67; 8. Alyssa Kulik (Clem) 9:55.14; 9. Mary Goldkamp (unat) 9:57.66; 10. Nicole Bush (N Balance) 10:06.23; 11. Shayla Houlihan (Brooks) 10:08.58; 12. Alexi Pappas (unat) 10:17.09.

II-1. Franek 9:44.05; 2. Hall 9:44.55; 3. Higginson 9:45.21; 4. Garcia 9:48.17; 5. Dimoff 9:49.03; 6. Cheever 9:51.42 ; 7. Pease 9:52.43 ; 8. Aisha Praught (unat) 9:55.78; 9. Elizabeth Graney (GVal) 9:59.76; 10. Collier Lawrence (Ois) 10:00.35; 11. Lois Keller (Brooks) 10:00.62; 12. Kara June (TRogue) 10:32.98.

Good seeding saw 7 qualify from each heat, with Emma Coburn, the fastest of the qualifiers with 9:43.19. Coburn, the reigning US champion, was the hot favourite to win, with almost 15 seconds advantage over her nearest rival (Franek: 9:39.77) off her 9:25.28 at the Prefontaine Memorial 3 weeks earlier. Coburn took the lead in the second lap, and her lead extended from 5 meters at 1000m to nearly 20 at 2000m. Coburn finished an untroubled winner in 9:32.78 with Franek holding off Kipp for second as all three qualified for London.

5000 Meters - June 28, 19.15 Hr

1. Julie Culley (Asics)	15:13.77
2. Molly Huddle (Saucony)	15:14.40
3. Kim Conley (N Balance)	15:19.79
4. Julia Lucas (OTC)	15:19.83
5. Abbey D'Agostino (Dart)	15:19.98
6. Lisa Uhl (OTC)	15:24.17
7. Liz Maloy (N Balance)	15:24.85
8. Emily Infeld (Gtn)	15:28.60

9. Alisha Williams (adidas) 15:32.98; 10. Tara Erdmann (unat) 15:33.96; 11. Magdalena Lewy Boulet (Saucony) 15:34.31; 12. Emily Sisson (Prov) 15:34.68; 13. Deborah Maier (Cal) 15:37.56; 14. Kellyn Johnson (adidasMcM) 15:39.60; 15. Kathy Kroeger (Stan) 15:40.55; 16. Lauren Fleshman (OTC) 15:54.14.

Heats - June 25, 18.50 Hr qualify 6+4

I-1. D'Agostino 15:41.14; 2. Culley 15:41.29; 3. Lucas 15:42.82; 4. Infeld 15:43.41; 5. Maier 15:43.54; 6. Uhl 15:48.16; 7. Kroeger 15:50.09; 8. Sisson 15:52.37; 9. Renee Metivier Baillie (unat) 16:01.47; 10. Amanda Dunne (Saucony) 16:02.23; 11. Angela Bizzarri (Brooks) 16:05.01; 12. Jackie Areson (Nike) 16:11.19; 13. Brie Felnagle (adidas) 16:13.34; 14. Frances Koons (N Balance) 16:45.93.

II-1. Maloy 15:46.00; 2. Huddle 15:46.05; 3. Conley 15:47.39; 4. Erdmann 15:49.98; 5. Williams 15:51.10; 6. Fleshman 15:51.53; 7. Lewy Boulet 15:51.73; 8. Johnson 15:54.42; 9. Amy Hastings (Brooks) 15:59.05; 10. Nicole Aish (unat) 16:02.84; 11. Alissa McKaig (Zap) 16:03.09;... dnc—Katie Mackey (Brooks) & Jenn Rhines (adidas).

Molly Huddle was the favourite to win, but her 3000m split of 9:23.02 suggested a finishing time of around 15:30. Then Julia Lucas kicked with just over 3 laps to go and led by 10 meters at the 4k point after a 3:00.1 4th kilo. Lucas led until 250m remained, when Huddle and Culley overtook her. Huddle on the outside appeared to have the victory, but Culley accelerated over the last 30 meters to win by 3 meters, while Lucas held third until the final stride, when Conley, who had sped up from 5th in the finishing straight, slipped by the unfortunate Lucas. Conley made the team for London by running a lifetime best to just make the A standard, while Lucas, who already had the A standard missed out by 0.04 seconds, and because she had made the race fast enough for Conley to qualify.

10,000 Meters - June 22, 19.20 Hr

1. Amy Hastings (Brooks)	31:58.36
2. Natosha Rogers (TxAM)	31:59.21
3. Shalane Flanagan (Nike)	31:59.69
4. Lisa Uhl (Nike)	32:03.46
5. Alisha Williams (BouRC)	32:08.51
6. Tara Erdmann (unat)	32:09.15
7. Janet Cherobon-Bawcom (Nike)	32:17.06
8. Stephanie Rothstein (adidasMcM)	32:24.25

9. Deborah Maier (Cal) 32:25.82; 10. Kellyn Johnson (adiMcM) 32:30.40; 11. Alissa McKaig (Zap) 32:31.66; 12. Meaghan Nelson (IaSt) 32:32.45; 13. Rebecca Donaghue (N Balance) 32:37.39; 14. Adriana Nelson (unat) 32:38.95; 15. Rachel Ward (RagM) 32:39.53; 16. Liz Costello (unat) 32:53.31; 17. Alvina Begay (Nike) 32:58.63; 18. Katie McGregor (Reeb) 33:11.92; 19. Addie Bracy (unat) 33:14.12; 20. Wendy Thomas (BouRC) 33:17.40; 21. Katie DiCamillo (NBalB) 33:26.72; 22. Katie Matthews (BU) 33:45.22; dnf—Sarah Porter (Zap) dnc—Allison Kieffer (unat).

4 athletes had run the A standard of 31:45, but one of those was Shalane Flanagan who ran but had already opted for the Marathon in the Games, leaving the non A-standard runners aiming at 31:45. A first half of 16:16 put paid to a good winning time, and while winner Amy Hastings already had a qualifying mark, the team selections ended up as 4th placed Uhl and Janet Bawcom, who finished 7th. On a positive note, all 3 Americans ran personal bests at the Olympics, with Hastings [31:10.69 -11th] the highest placed.

20k walk - July 1, 07:30 Hr; on track

1. Maria Michta (WUSA)	1:34:53.4
2. Miranda Melville (unat)	1:34:57.0
3. Erin Gray (BowAC)	1:35:40.1

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| 4. Jill Cobb (MVTC) | 1:37:00.1 |
| 5. Joanne Dow (unat) | 1:38:20.2 |
| 6. Lauren Forgues (NYAC) | 1:39:48.1 |
| 7. Susan Randall (MVTC) | 1:43:27.0 |
| 8. Stephanie Casey (unat) | 1:47:31.9 |
9. Rachel Zoyhowski (unat) 1:49:20.3; 10. Solomiya Login (SEnPaAC) 1:50:41.7; 11. Nicole Bonk (EmR) 1:54:17.4; dnf—Erika Shaver (unat), Teresa Vaill (unat); dq—Katie Burnett (unat), Erin Taylor (Shore).

Maria Michta, US champion in 2010 and 2011, won as expected, though not as easily as expected. For almost 17.5 km Gray fought Michta for the lead, but then slipped back. Melville, who had been 300 meters behind at one point had joined the leading duo at 16,400m. With only 200m remaining the two were together, and then Michta drew away to win by a scant 15 meters.

Marathon – Houston – January 14, 2012, 08.15 Hr

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| 1. Shalane Flanagan (OTC) | 2:25:38 |
| 2. Desiree Davila (Hans) | 2:25:55 |
| 3. Kara Goucher (OTC) | 2:26:06 |
| 4. Amy Hastings (Brk) | 2:27:17 |
| 5. Janet Cherobon-Bawcom (Atl TC) | 2:29:45 |
| 6. Deena Kastor (Asics) | 2:30:40 |
| 7. Clara Grandt (Riad) | 2:30:46 |
| 8. Alissa McKaig (Zap) | 2:31:56 |
9. Dot McMahan (Hans) 2:32:16, 10. Magdalena Lewy Boulet (Sauc) 2:33:42, 11. Katie McGregor (TMn) 2:34:01, 12. Wendy Thomas (Bou RC) 2:34:25, 13. Melissa White (Hans) 2:34:33, 14. Alisha Williams (Bou RC) 2:35:09, 15. Heidi Westover (Miz) 2:35:45, 16. Clara Peterson (Ca) 2:35:50, 17. Rebecca Donaghue (NBal B) 2:35:57, 18. Katherine Newberry (NYAC) 2:36:21, 19. Brooke Wells (Impala) 2:36:24, 20. Loretta Kilmer (Riad) 2:36:41, 21. Jeannette Faber (BAA) 2:36:50

For the first time the Men and Women's races were held at the same venue, with 15 minutes separating the start times. Flanagan, who had placed second in her debut race in New York 3 months earlier, was the race favorite. Davila was the pacemaker after the field had dawdled the first 2 miles (at 2:37 pace). Davila whittled the leading pack down to 9 after 5 miles, and by halfway (1:13:30) the group was down to 5, with Davila, Flanagan and Goucher just ahead of Hastings and Kastor. Hastings joined the leading trio, and the race was decided at the 20 mile mark, when Flanagan threw in a 5:24 mile. Both Flanagan and Goucher had made the US team in 2008, but for Davila it was her first OG selection

<http://www.usatf.org/events/2012/OlympicTrials-Marathon/results/Women.asp> for full result

100 Hurdles - June 23, 17.45 Hr, wind -1.6

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| 1. 6. Dawn Harper (Nike) | 12.73 | (0.173) |
| 2. 4. Kellie Wells (Nike) | 12.77 | (0.168) |
| 3. 2. Lolo Jones (Asics) | 12.86 | (0.197) |
| 4. 7. Ginnie Crawford (Nike) | 12.90 | (0.148) |
| 5. 3. Christina Manning (OhSt) | 12.92 | (0.175) |
| 6. 5. Brianna Rollins (Clem) | 12.94 | (0.254) |
| 7. 8. Michelle Perry (Nike) | 12.97 | (0.148) |
| 8. 1. Nia Ali (Nike) | 13.02 | (0.208) |

Semi-finals - June 23, 15.15 Hr; qualify 2+2

I(1.2)–1. Wells 12.74; 2. Crawford 12.78; 3. Harrison 12.88; 4. Castlin 12.93; 5. Carruthers 13.09; 6. Stowers 13.21; 7. Ivy 13.26.

II(1.2)–1. Manning 12.72; 2. Jones 12.75; 3. Perry 12.80; 4. Ali 12.84; 5. James 13.06; 6. Smith 13.10; 7. Holden 15.07.

III(0.5)–1. Harper 12.65; 2. Rollins 12.70; 3. Price 12.85; 4. Owens 12.92; 5. Carrier-Eades 12.96; 6. Hayes 12.98; 7. Garner 13.24

Heats - June 22, 17.40 Hr; qualify 3+6

I(1.2)–1. Harper 12.79; 2. Perry 12.89; 3. LaTisha Holden (unat) 12.95 ; 4. Chelsea Carrier-Eades (WV) 12.95; 5. Vanneisha Ivy (Nike) 13.14; 6. Monique Gracia (Clem) 13.23; 7. Jasmione Edgeron (Clem) 13.48.

II(0.3)–1. Wells 12.68; 2. Danielle Carruthers (Nike) 12.88; 3. Jones 13.01; 4. April Garner (unat) 13.20; 5. Crystal Barge (unat) 13.39; 6. Kori Carter (Stan) 13.47; dq—Shericka Ward (Vill).

III(0.7)–1. Ali 12.94; 2. Candice Price (unat) 12.98; 3. Kristi Castlin (adidas) 12.98; 4. Yvette Lewis (unat) 13.24; 5. Jacquelyn Coward (UCF) 13.27; 6. Tiffani McReynolds (Bay) 13.39.

IV(0.7)–1. Manning 12.77; 2. Bridgette Owens (Clem) 12.97; 3. Joanna Hayes (GMAC) 13.06; 4. Tiki James (unat) 13.17; 5. Kendra Harrison (unat) 13.23; 6. Michaylin Golladay (unat) 13.44.

V(0.7)–1. Rollins 12.88; 2. Ginnie Powell (Nike) 12.89; 3. Queen Harrison (Saucony) 12.98; 4. Loreal Smith (unat) 13.09; 5. Jasmin Stowers (LSU) 13.15; 6. Donique' Flemings (TxAM) 13.30; 7. Raven Clay (Find) 13.58.

Kellie Wells, who had run a then PR of 12.58 in the semi-finals of the 2008 Trials, was the fastest in the heats with 12.68. She then won the first of the semi-finals in 12.74 from Ginnie Crawford (12.78), while the first two in the other heats – Manning (12.72) and Jones (12.75), then Harper (12.65) and the surprising Rollins (12.70), all looked like making it a hotly disputed final. The wind switched round before the final, slowing the runners by at least 0.20. Harper and Crawford were the fastest away, with Wells joining them at the second hurdle. Harper and Wells battled throughout the race, with Harper getting clear after the 9th hurdle, while Crawford was caught by Jones at the last hurdle, with Jones having the momentum to the finish. Harper's form would further improve as she ran a lifetime best in defence of her Olympic title with a fine 12.37 into a slight headwind for 2nd in London, with Wells 3rd (with a PR 12.48) and Jones 4th (12.58).

400 hurdles - July 1, 16.02 Hr

		Reaction
1. 6. Lashinda Demus (Nike)	53.98	(0.175)
2. 5. Georganne Moline (Az)	54.33	(0.172)
3. 4. T'Erea Brown (adidas)	54.81	(0.197)
4. 7. Tiffany Williams (unat)	55.09	(0.189)
5. 1. Cassandra Tate (LSU)	55.36	(0.236)
6. 2. Turquoise Thompson (UCLA)	55.42	(0.170)
7. 3. Christine Spence (unat)	55.72	(0.221)
8. 8. Dominique Darden (unat)	55.89	(0.185)

Semi-finals – June 29, 15.20 Hr; qualify 4

I–1. Moline 54.72; 2. Williams 55.47; 3. Spence 55.72; 4. Tate 55.77; 5. Wallace 55.78; 6. Grossarth 56.18; 7. Leach 56.79; 8. Hayes 60.72.

II–1. Demus 54.41; 2. Brown 55.13; 3. Darden 55.70; 4. Thompson 55.73; 5. Wortham 55.87; 6. Smith 56.70; 7. Stewart 56.75; 8. Harrison 57.95.

Heats - June 28, 17.30 Hr; qualify 3+4

I–1. Demus 55.29; 2. Thompson 55.96; 3. Darden 56.07; 4. Thandi Stewart (Mia) 56.34; 5. Nicole Leach (Nike) 56.71; 6. Megan Duncan (unat) 57.63; 7. Natalie Morerod (Wich) 58.85.

II–1. Moline 55.53; 2. Latosha Wallace (unat) 56.53; 3. Ayla Smith (unat) 57.01; 4. Jasmine Chaney (AzSt) 57.82; 5. Joanna Schultz (unat) 58.08; 6. Dalilah Muhammad (USC) 58.46; 7. Brittany Hyter (Ar) 60.36.

III–1. Williams 55.76; 2. Spence 56.28; 3. Tate 56.74; 4. Jernail Hayes (unat) 56.96; 5. Christina Holland (Bay) 58.72; 6. London Finley (Gtn) 59.16; 7. MacKenzie Hill (unat) 59.42.

IV–1. Brown 56.25; 2. Ellen Wortham (Tn) 56.63; 3. Jennifer Grossarth (unat) 56.72; 4. Queen Harrison (Saucony) 57.05 (ran under protest after original false-start call); 5. Kianna Elahi (IaSt) 58.52; 6. Alexa Duling (SD) 60.20.

The 2011 World champion Demus confirmed her status as favourite with the fastest time (55.29) of the heats, and was again fastest in the semi-finals, clocking 54.41. The surprising Georganne Moline was the only other athlete under 55, running a PR 54.72. Demus, not in her 2011 shape when she'd run 52.47 because of hamstring problems, was still the class of the US runners, and 100m into the final took control of the race. Coming into the finishing straight, Demus led by 4 meters from Williams, with another 2 meters back to Moline and Brown. Moline closed well to finish with another lifetime best, this time 54.33 some 3 meters behind Demus, while Brown edged ahead of the tiring Williams on the run-in.

High Jump - June 30, 17.00 Hr

		1.79	1.84	1.89	1.92	1.95	1.98	2.01
1. Chaunté Lowe (Nike)	6-7 (2.01)	p	o	o	o	o	o	o
2. Brigetta Barrett (Az).	6-7 (2.01)	o	o	o	o	xo	o	o
3. Amy Acuff (Asics)	6-4¾ (1.95)	o	o	o	xxo	xxo	xxx	
4. Shanay Briscoe (Tx)	6-3½ (1.92)	xo	o	xxo	xxo	xxx		
5. Gabby Williams (NvHS)	6-2¼ (1.89)	o	xxo	xo	xxx			
6. Becky Christensen (Riad)	6-½ (1.84)							
=7. Tynita Butts (ECar)	6-½ (1.84)							
=7. Priscilla Frederick (StJ)	6-½ (1.84)							
=9. Megan Seidl (WRRT).....5-10½ (1.79) and Kristen Meister (unat).....5-10½ (1.79); 11. Allison Barwise (BU) 5-10½ (1.79); nh -Ann Dudley (MTn), Maya Pressley (Aub).								

Qualifying - June 28; auto-qualifier 6-4¾/1.95)

Qualifiers: Barwise, Dudley, Meister, Pressley & Seidl cleared 5-10½/1.79 with no misses; all other finalists cleared 6-0/1.83; Non-qualifiers: [5-10½ w/ misses]—Jane Doolittle (unat), Victoria Lucas (Tx), Natasha MacLaren (Ct), Ifoma Olausson (unat), Liz Patterson (Asics), Krystle Schade (Al), Toni Young (OkSt); ... nh—Inika McPherson (unat), Chancey Summers (Or)

With the attention of the crowd firmly focused on the High Jumpers, a scintillating competition was the response of the jumpers. The centres of attention ranged in age from 15 year old Gabby Williams to 36 year old Amy Acuff. When the bar was raised to 1.89m there were 8 jumpers left, but only Lowe, Barrett and Acuff, perfect at that point, made 6'2 ¼ first time. To the delight of the crowd, the HS Sophomore Williams cleared on her second attempt and was joined by Briscoe on her final jump. Williams had been lifted not only by the crowd but also by the support of Lowe and Barrett, but went out at 6'3 ½. The other 4 cleared with Briscoe in 4th place, which she retained after Acuff cleared 6'4 ¾ on her final attempt, a height the veteran jumper had not exceeded for 6 years. 6'6" was too much for Acuff, but both Lowe and Barrett cleared this height and the next first time, with Lowe holding the lead on countback. Barrett had already beaten her PR twice, but neither she nor Lowe could get over 2.04, leaving Lowe as the winner.

Pole Vault - June 24, 14.25 Hr		4.25	4.40	4.50	4.55	4.60
1. Jenn Suhr (adidas)	15-1 (4.60)	p	p	p	xo	o
2. Becky Holliday (unat)	14-11 (4.55)	o	xo	o	o	xxx
3. Lacy Janson (Nike)	14-9 (4.50)	o	o	o	xxx	
4. Mary Saxer (NYAC)	14-9 (4.50)	xo	xxo	xo	xxx	
=5. Kat Majester (unat)	14-5¼ (4.40)	o	o	xxx		
=5. April Steiner-Bennett (Asics)	14-5¼ (4.40)	o	o	xxx		
=7. Kylie Hutson (Nike)	14-5¼ (4.40)	xo	o	xxx		
=7. Melissa Gergel (unat)	14-5¼ (4.40)	xo	o	xxx		

=9. Brysun Stately (unat), Leslie Brost (NDSt), Janice Keppler (unat), Katy Viuf (unat) 13-11¼ (4.25); =13. Morgann LeLeux (Ga), Melinda Owen (unat) 13-11¼ (4.25); 15. Bethany Buell (SD) 13-11¼ (4.25); nh—Alex Acker (Ok), Emily Grove (SD), Megan Jamerson (unat), April Kubishta (unat), Logan Miller (Wa), Vera Neuenswander (unat), Katelin Rains (unat), Stephanie Richartz (Il), Angela Rummans (unat), Samantha Sonnenberg (unat), Allison Stokke (unat), Katie Stripling (unat).

Wind and rain played havoc with the qualifying round to such an extent that the qualifying was cancelled, and a straight final was held, where the hazards were just reduced to wind. Nevertheless the winning height of 15'1 was the lowest since the exhibition event of 1996. Just 8 managed to clear more than 14ft, and Suhr didn't attempt to jump higher once she had won her second Trials vault competition. She went on to take the Olympic title.

Long Jump – July 1, 15.00 Hr

1. Brittney Reese (Nike)	23-5½ (7.15)	x, 7.06, x, 6.87w, p, 7.15)
2. Chelsea Hayes (LaT)	23-3½ (7.10)	6.76w, x, x, x, x, 7.10
3. Janay DeLoach (Nike)	23-2¾w (7.08)	x, 6.82, 7.03, 6.60, 7.08w, 6.90w);
4. Whitney Gipson (Nike)	22-10½ (6.97)	6.73, x, 6.78, 6.87, x, 6.97);
5. Brianna Glenn (NYAC)	22-5¾ (6.85)	6.77, 6.50w, x, 6.47, 6.85, x
6. Vashti Thomas (AArt)	22-¾ (6.72)	6.72, x, x, 6.41, x, x);
7. Funmi Jimoh (Nike)	21-10¾w (6.67)	6.67w, x, x, 6.09, 6.63, x
8. Shameka Marshall (Shore)	21-9 (6.63)	6.63, 6.34, 5.98, 6.61, x, 6.02

9. Tori Polk (unat) 21-5½w (6.54)/21-1½/6.44; 10. Rose Richmond (unat) 21-2w (6.45)/20-1/6.12; 11. Andrea Geubelle (Ks) 20-7¾ (6.29); 12. Akiba McKinney (unat) 20-1 (6.12).

Qualifying - June 29, 15.30 Hr; auto-qualifier 22-1¾/6.75)

Qualifiers: DeLoach 23-5½w (7.15), Thomas 22-10½ (6.97), Reese 22-7 (6.88), Gipson 22-5 (6.83), Jimoh 22-1 (6.73), Marshall 21-11½ (6.69), Hayes 21-10 (6.65), Glenn & Polk 21-5½ (6.54), Geubelle 21-3½ (6.49), Richmond 21-¾ (6.42), McKinney 21-½ (6.41); Non-qualifiers: Karynn Dunn (Stan) 20-10 (6.35), Jessie Gaines (unat) 20-9 (6.32), Amber Bledsoe (unat) 20-7 (6.27), Leah Eber (unat) 20-2½ (6.16), Natasha Coleman (USET) & Sonnisha Williams (UCF) 20-2¼ (6.15), Brittni Dixon-Smith (unat) 20-1½ (6.13), LaKadron Ivery (unat) & Jamesha Youngblood (unat) 19-11½ (6.08), Ti'Anca Mock (Ok) 19-11 (6.07), Stephanie Le Fever (unat) 19-10¼ (6.05);... dnc—Tianna Madison (Saucony).

Hot favorite to win was Reese, who had won all 4 World titles, both indoors and outdoors, available from 2009-12. Yet she was only placed third initially. However her last jump, which she disputed when ruled a foul, was scrutinised on video and ruled to be a fair jump, which gave her a second Trials win. Almost as big a surprise as the possibility that Reese might lose was the jumping of Hayes. In 5th place at the beginning of the final round Hayes improved her PR from 21'10 ¼ to 23'3 ¾ in one fell swoop, thereby eliminating Gipson from the team. Gipson had been in third with 22'6 ½ behind Janay DeLoach's excellent 23'2 3/4w, and responded gallantly with 22'10 ½ on her final jump. Reese went on to win in London, surprising no-one.

Triple Jump - June 25, 17.45 Hr

1. Amanda Smock (NYAC)	45-9 (13.94)	13.94, 13.73, 13.64, 13.64, 13.51, 13.36
2. Sheena Gordon (unat)	45-4½ (13.83)	13.66, 13.35, 13.83, 13.69, 13.66, 13.75)
3. Andrea Geubelle (Ks)	45-3 (13.79)	13.79, 13.37, 12.86, x, 13.52, 13.76
4. Toni Smith (unat)	44-7 (13.59)	
5. Crystal Manning (CVE)	43-5¾ (13.25)	
6. Tracey Stewart (unat)	43-2½ (13.17)	
7. Lauryn Newson (Or)	43-2¼ (13.16)	
8. Erica McLain (Nike)	42-9¾ (13.05)	
9. Michelle Jenije (FlSt) 42-6 (12.95); 10. Blessing Ufodiana (unat) 42-3½ (12.89); 11. Julienne McKee (GaT) 42-2 (12.85); 12. Whitney Liehr (unat) 41-5 (12.62).		

Qualifying - June 23, 15.20 Hr; auto-qualifier 46-11/14.30

Qualifiers: Smock 45-3½ (13.80), Gordon 44-10¼ (13.67), Geubelle & Newson 44-4¼ (13.52) (Newson PR), Smith 43-10½ (13.37), McLain 43-7¾ (13.30), Manning 43-3¼ (13.19), Stewart 43-3 (13.18), Jenije 43-2½zw (13.17), Liehr 42-10¼ (13.07), Ufodiana 42-8¾ (13.02), McKee 42-4¾ (12.92);

Non-qualifiers: Tiombé Hurd (unat) 42-1½ (12.84), April Sinkler (Clem) 42-1¼ (12.83), Keri Emanuel (unat) 42-0 (12.80), Jasmine Manuel (unat) 41-10½ (12.76), Tori Franklin (MiSt) 41-1½ (12.53), Alitta Boyd (USC) 41-½ (12.51), Shaniae Lakes (Wa) 40-1¼ (12.22);... dnc—Stephanie Warren (unat).

In an event which almost perennially is in the doldrums in the US, Amanada Smock improved from 4th place in 2008 to win the 2012 with 45'9 to become the only US Olympian in the event.

Shot Put - June 29, 15.30 Hr

1. Jill Camarena-Williams (Nike)	62-10½ (19.16)	17.33, x, 19.16, 18.99, x, x
2. Michelle Carter (Nike)	60-11¼ (18.57)	18.16, 18.27, x, 18.37, 18.57, x
3. Tia Brooks (Ok)	60-2 (18.34)	18.01, 18.34, 17.46, 18.00, 18.06, x
4. Kearsten Peoples (Mo)	59-9½ (18.22)	x, 17.32, 16.85, 18.22, 17.90, x
5. Sarah Stevens-Walker (Shore)	58-11½ (17.97)	17.38, 16.96, 17.97, 17.72, x, 17.94);
6. Alyssa Hasslen (Az)	58-2½ (17.74)	17.05, 17.36, 17.10, 17.74, x,x
7. Tiffany Howard (unat)	56-2 (17.12)	
8. Jeneva McCall (Snll)	55-10½ (17.03)	

9. Baillie Gibson (Az) 55-8½ (16.98); 10. Brittany Smith (IlSt) 54-6 (16.61); 11. Trecey Hoover (unat) 54-0 (16.46); 12. Adriane Blewitt-Wilson (unat) 53-10½ (16.42).

Qualifying - June 28, 17.40 Hr; auto-qualifier 60-½/18.30

Qualifiers: Camarena-Williams 63-4 (19.30), Carter 60-6 (18.44), Stevens-Walker 60-1 (18.31), Brooks 57-10½ (17.64), McCall 57-9¾ (17.62), Hasslen 55-11¾ (17.06), Howard 55-11 (17.04), Peoples 55-8¼ (16.97), Gibson 55-2 (16.81), Blewitt-Wilson & Smith 54-11¼ (16.74), Hoover 54-4¾ (16.58)

Non-qualifiers: Felisha Johnson (InSt) 54-2 (16.51), Chandra Brewer (unat) 53-10¼ (16.41), Christina Hillman (IaSt) 53-8¼ (16.36), Becky O'Brien (Buf) 53-¼ (16.16), Michelle Anumba (Duke) 52-5½ (15.99), Skylar White (Bay) 52-4¾ (15.97), Ashley Muffet-Duncan (unat) 51-11 (15.82), Kelsey Card (Wi) 51-9¼ (15.78), Danielle Frere (IaSt) 51-8½ (15.76), Nia Henderson (unat) 51-3¾ (15.64), Kyla Buckley (In) 48-1¼ (14.67).

Jill Camarena-Williams and 2008 Trials winner Michelle Carter were expected to be the top two finishers, and so it transpired. Nestling in 6th place after two rounds, Camarena-Williams pumped the shot out to 62'10 ½ with her third throw. Carter, who was behind NCAA champion Brooks for a couple of rounds, went into second place with her fourth throw of 60'3 ¼, and improved to 60'11 ¼ with her penultimate effort, with Brooks (60'2") holding off Kearsten Peoples (59'9 ½). Camarena-Williams missed the Olympic final due to a herniated disc, while Carter placed 5th in the Olympics with 63'8 1/2".

Discus Throw - June 24, 15.05 Hr

1. Stephanie Brown Trafton (Nike)	213-10 (65.18)	63.30, 62.62, 60.19, x, x, 65.18
2. Aretha Thurmond (Nike)	204-2 (62.23)	62.04, x, x, 59.90, 62.23, x
3. Suzy Powell (Asics)	197-6 (60.20)	58.68, 57.50, 57.13, 60.20, 57.57, x
4. Shelbi Vaughan (TxHS)	195-9 (59.68)	57.87, 59.68, 58.98, x, 57.53, x
5. Liz Podominick (unat)	194-11 (59.42)	59.00, x, 55.63, x, 59.42, 57.49
6. Gia Lewis-Smallwood (unat)	192-10 (58.78)	57.48, 56.17, x, 58.78, 56.45, x
7. Beth Rohl (MiSt)	189-8 (57.82)	
8. Summer Pierson (unat)	188-5 (57.44)	

9. Anna Jelmini (AzSt) 183-6 (55.94); 10. Jeré Summers (unat) 183-4 (55.89); 11. Mary Angell (unat) 174-4 (53.15); 12. Baillie Gibson (Az) 148-4 (45.21).

Qualifying - June 22, 14.20 Hr; auto-qualifier 203-5/62.00

Qualifiers: Brown Trafton 206-1 (62.83), Thurmond 197-6 (60.21), Podominick 196-7 (59.92), Vaughan 193-8 (59.05), Powell 189-2 (57.66), Lewis-Smallwood 189-0 (57.60), Rohl 188-10 (57.56), Jelmini 180-8 (55.06), Summers 178-8 (54.47), Gibson 177-2 (54.00), Pierson 177-0 (53.96), Angell 176-11 (53.93),
Non-qualifiers: Kelechi Anyanwu (unat) 176-2 (53.71), Trecey Hoover (unat) 173-0 (52.73), Jeneva McCall (unat) 172-11 (52.70), Rachel Longfors (unat) 172-7 (52.60), Rachel Andres (unat) 172-5 (52.55), Skylar White (Bay) 167-9 (51.13), Samantha Lockhart (GVal) 165-2 (50.35), Jessica Maroszek (Ks) 163-6 (49.85), Rachel Varner (unat) 162-4 (49.49), Whitney Ashley (SDi) 153-3 (46.73), Becky O'Brien (Buf) 147-5 (44.95); 3f—Ashley Hearn (UCD).

Stephanie Brown-Trafton, the 2008 Olympic winner was favorite and going for her third Olympic team, while Aretha Thurmond and Suzy Powell had already made 3 Olympic squads. All 3 made the team, but for Powell, who had placed 4th in the USA junior championships 21 years earlier, it was a battle with the new US junior record holder Shelbi Vaughan. The 17 year old Vaughan, an exceptional volleyball player, had set her best of 198'9 when winning the US junior title the previous week, and threw a good 195'9, which held up for third until Powell reached 197'6" in the fourth round. Up ahead were Thurmond, who opened with a team reaching 203'6" before hitting 204'2" with her penultimate throw, and Brown-Trafton whose top 3 throws were ahead of the field, culminating with a winning 65.18 with the last throw of the competition.

Hammer Throw - June 21, Beaverton , 11.15 Hr – first 3 rounds, then 13.15 Hr

1. Amber Campbell (Nike)	235-7 (71.80)	69.48, 69.11, x, 66.40, 71.80, 71.56
2. Amanda Bingson (UNLV)	235-6 (71.78)	67.07, 69.61, 71.22, 71.78, x, 71.21
3. Jessica Cosby (Nike)	232-2 (70.77)	68.75, 69.33, 70.77, 68.62, 65.50, x
4. Amy Haapanen (unat)	231-8 (70.63)	67.55, 66.21, x, x, 70.63, 68.28
5. Keelin Godsey (unat)	231-3 (70.48)	66.52, 68.19, 65.64, 70.48, 67.24, 67.17
6. Brittany Riley (unat)	227-4 (69.29)	69.29, x, x, 65.06, 67.87, 69.17
7. Gwen Berry (Nike)	225-10 (68.84)	
8. Aubrey Baxter (Brooks)	225-7 (68.77)	

9. Britney Henry (AST) 224-7 (68.47); 10. Jeneva McCall (unat) 219-3 (66.82); 11. Brittany Smith (IIS) 216-7 (66.02); 12. Kristin Smith (TID) 215-2 (65.58); 13. Chelsea Cassulo (AzSt) 213-2 (64.98); 14. Loree Smith (NYAC) 208-10 (63.67); 15. Chandra Andrews (ShockTC) 206-9 (63.02); 16. Jessica Rowland (Find) 204-3 (62.26); 17. Kimery Hern (unat) 201-0 (61.27); 18. Caressa Sims (unat) 200-9 (61.20); 19. Marissa Minderler (USC) 199-7 (60.83); 20. Valerie Fraizer (NEOhTC) 194-8 (59.35); 21. Ashley Harbin (CtQ) 192-9 (58.77); 22. Alexis Thomas (OhSt) 186-0 (56.70); 3f—Shelby Ashe (TID), Taylor Bush (Az).

As with the men, this competition benefited from the attention of the Beaverton audience. Curiously none of the throwers could exceed 70 meters [229'8"] until the third round, when 2008 winner Cosby hit 232'2, before being overtaken by Bingson, who exceeded 230' for the first time with 233'8. Bingson improved further to 235'6 and added another 71m effort in the final round. By then, Amber Campbell had taken the lead – barely – with 235'7". Behind them both Amy Haapanen (231'8") and Keelin Godsey (231'3") gave the USA its first competition with 5 over 230'0".

Javelin Throw – July 1, 14.45 Hr

1. Brittany Borman (Nike)	201-9 (61.51)	56.47, 55.07, 57.59, x, 57.44, 61.51
2. Kara Patterson (Asics)	196-2 (59.79)	59.09, 58.29, 59.79, 56.55, p, p
3. Kim Hamilton (Nike)	190-5 (58.04)	x, 58.04, 54.52, 53.92, 55.61, x
4. Rachel Yurkovich (Nike)	186-6 (56.85)	x, 53.66, 55.02, x, 56.85, 55.12
5. Alicia DeShasier (Nike)	185-9 (56.62)	53.99, 56.62, x, 54.25, 56.53, 53.30
6. Dana Pounds-Lyon (Nike)	181-0 (55.16)	54.45, 54.60, x, 55.16, x,x
7. Haley Crouser (OrHS)	179-8 (54.77)	
8. Leigh Petranoff (TJav)	175-10 (53.59)	

9. Karlee McQuillen (unat) 173-8 (52.93); 10. Amy Backel (unat) 170-2 (51.88); 11. Kayla Wilkinson-Colgrove (unat) 168-5 (51.35); 12. Ariana Ince (unat) 168-3 (51.28).

Qualifying - June 29, 14.30 Hr; auto-qualifier 200-1/61.00

Qualifiers: Patterson 198-5 (60.49), Yurkovich 185-1 (56.42), McQuillen 182-10 (55.73), Borman (Ok) 178-10 (54.50), Hamilton 175-10 (53.60), DeShasier 174-10 (53.28), Ince 174-8 (53.25), Wilkinson-Colgrove 171-6 (52.27), Backel 171-2 (52.19), Pounds-Lyon 170-0 (51.82), Crouser 165-7 (50.48), Petranoff 164-8 (50.21)
Non-qualifiers: Brianna Bain (Stan) 162-4 (49.48), Emily Tyrrell (MtSt) 161-7 (49.27), Jennifer Austin (Shore) 160-10 (49.02), Laura Loht (PennSt) 160-7 (48.96), Kim Kreiner (Nike) 157-11 (48.13), Samantha Hatten (unat) 155-0 (47.25), Heather Bergmann (Ks) 154-4 (47.05), Laura Asimakis (TxAM) 154-3 (47.02), Grace Zollman (CParkTC) 152-8 (46.53), Paige Blackburn (USAF) 151-9 (46.27), Randi Hicks (unat) 151-1 (46.06), Brittany Aanstad (unat) 148-4 (45.23).

2008 Trials winner Kara Patterson led the qualifying with 198'5", and led the final with 193'10" with her opening throw, and improved to 196'2" in round three. The competition for runner-up appeared between Kim Hamilton (190'5") and double NCAA champion Brittany Borman (188'10"), until the final round. At that point Borman produced a lifetime best of 201'9", which won the competition and gave her a much needed "A" standard mark, so that she, Patterson, and 4th placer Yurkovich qualified for London.

Heptathlon - June 29–30

1. Hyleas Fountain (Nike)	[3948—1]	6419
12.86/ 1.87/ 13.17/ 23.84// 6.30/ 40.43/ 2:17.90		
2. Sharon Day (Asics)	[3797—2]	6343
13.71/ 1.87/ 13.40/ 24.26// 6.11/ 45.03 / 2:14.55		
3. Chantae McMillan (unat)	[3762—3]	6188
13.36/ 1.72/ 15.02/ 24.32w// 5.52/ 50.24 / 2:17.71		
4. Bettie Wade (Nike)	[3680—5]	6018
13.72/ 1.81/ 13.62/ 24.84w// 6.21/ 35.79/ 2:19.06		
5. Barbara Nwaba (UCSB)	[3736—4]	5986
13.68/ 1.87/ 12.53/ 24.33w// 5.63/ 37.88/ 2:15.55		
6. Abbie Stechschulte (unat)	[3547—7]	5855
13.76/ 1.72/13.45/ 24.88w// 6.02/ 35.66/ 2:16.78		
7. Ryann Kraus (KsSt)	[3473—10]	5817
13.84/ 1.75/ 12.00/ 24.91w// 5.61/ 40.50/ 2:12.03		
8. Lindsay Lettow (CMo)	[3502—9]	5807
13.96/ 1.75/12.13/ 24.51w// 5.85/ 36.83/ 2:14.91		
9. Heather Miller (CPTC)	[3395—15]	5779
14.18/ 1.69/ /11.68/ 24.22w// 5.99/ 39.29/ 2:15.59		
10. Aisha Adams (unat)	[3400—14]	5778
14.41/ 1.75/ 11.34/ 24.38w// 5.81/ 42.26/ 2:16.28		
11. Chelsea Carrier-Eades (WV)	[3624—6]	5772
12.96/ 1.69/ 11.86/ 23.80// 5.64/ 32.32/ 2:15.48		
12. Jessica Flax (Wi)	[3459—11]	5763
13.70/ 1.72/ 11.82/ 24.75w// 5.39/ 45.79/ 2:17.58		
13. Keia Pinnick (AzSt)	[3414—13]	5752
13.60/ 1.69/ 11.02/ 24.43// 6.02/ 33.67/ 2:11.98		
14. Lindsay Schwartz (SAl)	[3361—17]	5614
13.94/ 1.69/ 10.89/ 24.39w// 5.80/ 36.75/ 2:17.42		
15. Allison Reaser (SDi)	[3437—12]	5612
13.55/ 1.63/ 11.90/ 24.12w// 5.49/ 36.85/ 2:16.54		
16. Kiani Profit (Md)	[3276—20]	5564
14.61/ 1.63/ 12.31/ 24.54w// 5.56/ 39.35/ 2:13.35		
17. Deanna Latham (Wi)	[3294—19]	5563
14.00/ 1.60/ 12.66/ 25.13w// 5.64/ 42.13/ 2:20.27		
18. Kasey Hill (unat)	[3344—18]	5537
14.30/ 1.60/ 12.39/ 23.96w// 5.75/ 35.47/ 2:18.94		
19. Emily Pearson (unat)	[3391—16]	5252
14.03/ 1.69/ 11.76/ 24.53w// 5.38/ 21.39/ 2:15.80		
20. Yvette Lewis (unat)	[3514—8]	5140
12.84/ 1.75/ 8.61/ 23.70// 6.04/ 24.23/ 2:56.73		

Prior to the Trials only Sharon Day had the requisite "A" standard of 6150, but the competition neatly ensured that 3 would represent the US in London. Hyleas Fountain had won the Trials in 2008, and an Olympic silver medal, but hadn't completed a Heptathlon for 2 years. Here she started with an excellent 12.86, and she led Day by more than 150 points at the conclusion of Day 1. Chantae McMillan (3762) and Barbara Nwaba (3736) were locked in a battle for third, which McMillan settled with her Javelin of 164'10". This helped her to a score of 6188, while up ahead Fountain held off Day 6419 to 6343.