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Sacramento - July 14-23

The location of the Trials was Sacramento State University, in Hornet Stadium, which was redeveloped prior to the Trials – thanks in part to a \$1.1m donation by local property developer Alex Spanos – enabling a maximum crowd of 23,000 to attend. Like most American stadia it was open to the elements, which meant that sprint events were detrimentally affected by the wind, while a lack of cover gave the crowd the opportunity to be tenderized by the sun. The flat stands meant that the 2 outside lanes were virtually impossible to see by those not seated in the first few rows, and policing was required to prevent peoples' view from being blocked. Other than these surmountable problems, the meeting was the usual competitive hotbed of triumph and tragedy, success and failure.

100 Meters - July 15, 18.00 Hr (-1.7w)

1.	4. Maurice Greene (Nike)	10.01
2.	7. Curtis Johnson (H.S.I)	10.07
3.	3. Jon Drummond (Nike)	10.07
4.	6. Brian Lewis (Reebok)	10.09
5.	5. Kenny Brokenburr (Nike)	10.14
6.	2. Tim Montgomery (Asics)	10.18
7.	1. Bernard Williams (Florida)	10.19
8.	8. Dennis Mitchell (Unat)	10.20

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 15, 16.01 Hr

- 1/ 1/ 1. Drummond 10.05, 2. Lewis 10.15, 3. Johnson 10.19, 4. Montgomery 10.23, 5. Coby Miller (Nike) 10.26, 6. Tim Harden (Nike) 10.29, 7. Mickey Grimes (Unat) 10.40, 8. Tony McCall (Reebok) 10.42 (-1.5w)
- 2/ 1. Greene 10.06, 2. Brokenburr 10.13, 3. Mitchell 10.19, 4. Williams 10.19, 5. John Capel (adidas) 10.20, 6. Mike Marsh (SMTC) 10.20, 7. Floyd Heard (SMTC) 10.32, 8. Jonathan Carter (Fila) 10.41 (-0.6)

Heats - first 2 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 14, 18.00-18.40 Hr

- 1/ 1. Mitchell 10.11, 2. Miller 10.11, 3. Greg Saddler (Nike) 10.23, 4. Jarmiene Holloway (Unat) 10.29, 5. Jerome Avery (Pro-Cor TC) 10.37, 6. Marcus Brunson (Az St) 10.39, 7. Chris Chandler (Neb) 10.51, 8. Gentry Bradley (Nike) 10.64 (-0.7w)
- 2/ 1. Johnson 10.10, 2. Williams 10.17, 3. Terrence Trammell (S Car) 10.23, 4. Marquis Davis (Unat) 10.44, 5. Lawrence Johnson (Tex) 10.46, 6. LeShaunte' Edwards (Akron) 10.65, 7. Ashhada Primus (Unat) 10.69, 8. Justin Anderson (Unat) 10.75 (-0.6w)
- 3/ 1. Marsh 10.12, 2. Drummond 10.12, 3. Brokenburr 10.16, 4. Grimes 10.20, 5. Jeff Laynes (Reebok) 10.32, 6. Vince Henderson (Asics) 10.38, 7. Gerald Williams (SC Cheetahs) 10.43, 8. Shomari Wilson (Unat) 33.11 (-0.6w)
- 4/ 1. Greene 9.93, 2. McCall 10.17, 3. Carter 10.18, 4. Heard 10.20, 5. Kaaron Conwright (SLO) 10.24, 6. Virgil Maddox (OR) 10.44, 7. Garfield Ellenwood (Reebok) 10.56 (0.3w)
- 5/ 1. Lewis 10.03, 2. Capel 10.12, 3. Montgomery 10.12, 4. Harden 10.20, 5. Bryan Howard (adidas) 10.24, 6. Travis Grant (Nike) 10.33, 7. Obadiah Cooper (Unat) 10.40, 8. Amar Johnson (Tex) 10.51 (0.4w)

Veteran Dennis Mitchell, in his 4th Trials, took an early lead in heat 1 and led by over a meter at halfway, but compact (5'6/150) Coby Miller finished powerfully to catch Mitchell on the line. In a similar race, Johnson had the best start in heat 2 and was closed down by Williams in the closing stages. After false starts by Drummond and Brokenburr, the early lead in heat 3 was taken by the technically smooth Drummond. Mike Marsh closed powerfully and nipped Drummond at the tape. Greene then showed why he was clear favorite. The double World champion drew clear of the field at the 20m mark and was 3m ahead by 80 metres. He then eased down wagging his fingers in the air as he crossed the line in 9.93. Local boy Brian Lewis then broke away from the opposition in the final heat at the halfway mark, with John Capel just edging Tim Montgomery for the automatic qualifying spot, as both ran 10.12, with the cut-off at 10.20 to make the semifinals.

After Brian Lewis took a lead out of the blocks, Jon Drummond surged ahead with his superb pick-up and drew well clear of the field to take an easy win in 10.05 in the first semifinal. Lewis finished ½ m ahead of Johnson with Montgomery a similar distance behind, but with daylight ahead of Coby Miller. Again, Greene ran the first 20m in the pack, and then blasted away from the field, with Brokenburr breaking clear of the pack in the last 20m. The battle for 3rd was very close with 1/100th covering 4 men.

Again, the technical excellence of Jon Drummond took the 31 year-old into an early lead in the final, and then Greene imposed himself on the opposition, and was away and clear by halfway. He won easing across the line in 10.01 (worth around 9.90 in windless conditions), with Johnson closing fast to edge Drummond by 1/250th of a second as both ran 10.07. Lewis, whose reaction time of 0.054 seconds was less than the legal 0.10, was perhaps lucky not to finish in the first 3, as this would almost certainly have precipitated a protest.

<u>200 Meters - July 23, 17.55 Hr (-0.3w)</u>			reaction time
5. 1.	John Capel (adidas)	19.85	0.151
7. 2.	Floyd Heard (SMTC)	19.88	0.159
8. 3.	Coby Miller (Nike)	19.96	0.184
6. 4.	Bernard Williams (Florida)	20.03	0.174
3. 5.	Kenny Brokenburr (Nike)	20.33	
2. -.	Maurice Greene (Nike)	Dnf	
4. -.	Michael Johnson (Nike)	Dnf	
1. -.	Brian Lewis (Reebok)	Dns	

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 23, 16.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Capel 20.03, 2. Johnson 20.14, 3. Greene 20.30, 4. Miller 20.39, 5. Darvis Patton (TCU) 20.56, 6. Rohsaan Griffin (Asics) 20.61, 7. Mike Marsh (SMTC) 20.61, 8. Brandon Coutts (Baylor) 20.93 (-0.7w)
- 2/ 1. Williams 20.04, 2. Heard 20.15, 3. Lewis 20.26, 4. Brokenburr 20.29, 5. Kevin Little (TeamWest) 20.30, 6. Ramon Clay (Asics) 20.30, 7. Jon Drummond (Nike) 20.72, 8. Shawn Crwaford (Mizuno) 20.86 (+1.1w)

Heats – Heat winners plus 9 fastest losers qualify, July 22, 11.20 Hr

- 1/ 1. Williams 20.22, 2. Marsh 20.26, 3. Little 20.32, 4. Griffin 20.46, 5. Brokenburr 20.56 (+1.2w)
- 2/ 1. Heard 20.14, 2. Ja'Warren Hooker (Wash.) 20.88, 3. Milton Mallard (Asics) 20.94, 4. Gentry Bradley (Nike) 21.14, Curtis Johnson (HIS) and Tim Montgomery (Asics) – Dns (+0.3w)
- 3/ 1. Greene 20.29, 2. Clay 20.37, 3. Patton 20.40, 4. Andre Morris (Fila) 21.00, Dennis Mitchell (Unat) Dns (-0.3w)
- 4/ 1. Johnson 19.89, 2. Capel 20.14, 3. Travis Grant (Nike) 20.76, 4. Tony McCall 9Reebok) 20.82, 5. Brandon Evans (Tx AM) 20.94 (+0.3w)
- 5/ 1. Lewis 20.56, 2. Marquis Davis (Unat) 20.82, 3. Aaron Armstrong (Florida) 20.90, 4. Bryan Howard (adidas) 21.06, 5. Corey Nelson (Nike) 21.19, Marcus Brunson (Az St) Dns (-0.5w)
- 6/ 1. Miller 20.33, 2. Coutts 20.75, 3. Jeff Laynes (Reebok) 20.85, 4. Paul Lewis (Reebok) 20.89, 5. Derrick Brew (Nike) 21.04, 6. Marcel Carter (Shore AC) 2.41 (-0.6w)
- 7/ 1. Drummond 20.50, 2. Crawford 20.64, 3. Leon Settle (Mizuno) 20.92, 4. LeShaunte Edwards (Akron) 20.94, 5. Garfield Ellenwood (Reebok) 21.02, Savante Stringfellow (Miss) – Dns (-0.6w)

This had been billed as the event of the Trials. No US sprint duel had attracted as much attention in the US since the Morrow-Sime meetings in 1956. Indeed, with Greene the WR holder at 100 and Johnson the keeper of records for both the 200 and 400 this was possibly the best publicized clash in the history of the trials. The two men sniped at each other in immature fashion in the days leading up to the event. Johnson opened proceedings with a too fast 19.89 in the first round, pulling Capel to the round's second fastest time of 20.14. Johnson and Greene were drawn in the same semifinal with Capel. Johnson false-started, and Greene was off quickest on the next start. The 3 were level off the curve, and Capel edged away in the last 30m with Johnson looking round, easing home in second place ahead of Greene. Bernard Williams motored through the first half of the second semi in 10.2, leading from Heard (10.3) and Lewis (10.4), and tacked on a second half of 9.9 to win by a long meter from Heard. Lewis headed the rest, with Kenny Brokenburr just edging Kevin Little and Ramon Clay for the final qualifying spot.

In the final Johnson seemed to take a slight lead at about 50 meters, but 30 meters later he popped up in the air clutching his right leg and fell to the track. Two seconds later Greene came to a halt, leaving TV and most spectators looked at the fallen superstars while John Capel sped on almost unnoticed to a superb 19.85 (with splits of 10.3/9.6) . Behind him Floyd Heard ran a lifetime best with 19.88, 0.07 quicker than his previous best run...in 1987 ! Coby Miller took the final qualifying place, also breaking 20 seconds, with Williams also running a PR with 20.03. The disasters which followed this event continued in Sydney, where Capel – the most impressive runner in the preliminaries – got left in his blocks after wavering in the set position, waiting for a recall gun which was never fired.

400 Meters - June 19, 19.10 Hr

6. 1.	Michael Johnson (Nike)	43.68	(11.4/10.2/10.6/11.5)
7. 2.	Alvin Harrison (Nike)	44.63	(11.4/10.3/10.8/12.1)
4. 3.	Antonio Pettigrew (adidas)	44.66	(11.4/10.6/10.8/11.9)
2. 4.	Jerome Young (adidas)	44.70	(11.4/10.3/10.7/12.3)
1. 5.	Calvin Harrison (Nike)	44.90	
8. 6.	Danny McCray (Nike)	45.00	
5. 7.	Ja'Warren Hooker (Wash)	45.05	
3. 8.	Leonard Byrd (Nike)	45.32	

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 15, 17.22/17.30 Hr

- 1/ 1. Johnson 44.63, 2. A.Harrison 44.80, 3.Young 45.06, 4. McCray 45.11, 5. Anthuan Maybank (Unat) 45.14, 6. Jerome Davis (Nike) 45.15, 7. Derrick Brew (Nike) 45.74, 8. Kempa Busby (Nike) 46.06

- 2/ 1. Hooker 44.78, 2. Pettigrew 44.84, 3. Byrd 45.00, 4. Ca. Harrison (Nike) 45.02, 5. Brando Coutts (Baylor) 45.22, 6. James Davis (Unta) 45.40, 7. Andrew Pierce (Ohio St) 45.49, 8. Derek Mills (Unat) 45.92

Heats - first 2 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, July 14, 20.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Ca. Harrison 45.32, 2. Pettigrew 45.61, 3. Busby 45.76, 4. Jimmie Hackley (Scar) 45.83, 5. Paul Lewis (Reebok) 46.32
2/ 1. Ja.Davis 45.94, 2. Brew 46.01, 3. Geno White (Florida) 46.13, 4. Jonas Motiejunas (Bronx Int'l) 46.20, 5. Michael Decker (Liberty) 47.43
3/ 1. A.Harrison 45.56, 2. Mills 45.86, 3. Tyree Washington (Reebok) 46.02, 4. Bryan Swarn (Georgia T) 46.55, 5. Torrance Chaplin (USMC) 47.15, 6. Butch Reynolds (Unat) 47.79
4/ 1. Maybank 45.53, 2. Young 45.59, 3. Pierce 45.70, 4. Chris Jones (SMTC) 46.02, 5. Andre' Morris (Fila) 46.03, 6. Milton Campbell (Unat) 46.15
5/ 1. Johnson 45.16, 2. Byrd 45.39, 3. Jer.Davis 45.56, 4. Johny Collins (Unat) 46.27, 5. Godfrey Herring (Mid Tenn St) 47.72
6/ 1. Coutts 45.45, 2. McCray 45.48, 3. Hooker 45.58, 4. Deon Minor (Nike) 45.94, 5. Corey Nelson (Nike) 46.28, 6. Robert Wilson (Unat) 46.92

With 2 losses in his previous 80 races over 400m, Michael Johnson was a prohibitive favorite to retain his 400m Trials title. Johnson eased through his first round heat, making 45.16 seem like a stroll, though it was 0.16 faster than the next quickest of the round – Calvin Harrison. Casualties of the first round included former WR holder Butch Reynolds, NCAA runner-up Geno White and WCh medallist Tyree Washington. Johnson increased tempo in the semifinals, but still eased off in winning the first race in 44.63 after Jerome Young and Anthuan Maybank had set the early pace. Alvin Harrison also dipped below 45 seconds with 44.80, while Atlanta relay gold medallist Maybank (45.14) and James Davis (45.15) were edged out of the final. Calvin Harrison and veteran Antonio Pettigrew were expected to battle out the second semifinal, and while both qualified, it was Ja'Warren Hooker, in his first serious season of 400 running who shocked with a 44.78 win, holding off the strong finishing Pettigrew, who ran 44.84. Johnson drew a bead on Alvin Harrison, one lane outside him, and after 100m accelerated effortlessly, covering his next two 100m sections in 10.2 and 10.6, to lead by 2 meters coming off the curve. At this point Young was marginally ahead of Harrison, with Pettigrew 3 meters back. As in the semifinal the '91 World Champion closed strongly, and caught Young with 5m to go, while Alvin Harrison took second a foot ahead...and 9 meters behind Johnson. Johnson went on to win gold – this time with 5m advantage over Harrison, and the Trials top 5 all claimed relay gold (together with hurdles winner Angelo Taylor) with the Harrisons' becoming the first twins to win gold in the same race. Pettigrew, a frequently underrated athlete, had a career spanning 15 seasons, with 1 Olympic and 4 World titles to his credit, and a seasonal best average of 44.44 for his 10 best seasons, but as events would transpire, much of what he had achieved came with drug usage, and he eventually committed suicide.

800 Meters - July 23, 17.00 Hr

1. Mark Everett (Unat)	1:45.67	24.9/51.7/1:18.4
2. Rich Kenah (Asics)	1:46.05	25.0/51.8/1:19.2
3. Bryan Woodward (Reebok)	1:46.09	24.7/51.3/1:18.6
4. Khadevis Robinson (SMTC)	1:46.36	24.5/51.2/1:19.0
5. Jeff Kuzma (AirForce)	1:46.40	25.0/52.0/1:19.4
6. Trinity Gray (Nike)	1:46.55	24.3/26.5/1:18.2
7. Jason Pyrah (Nike)	1:46.83	25.8/52.1/1:19.3
8. Jess Strutzel (Unat)	1:47.60	24.5/51.3/1:18.7

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 21, 20.35 Hr

- 1/ 1. Robinson 1:48.01, 2. Woodward 1:48.06, 3. Kenah 1:48.07, 4. Kuzma 1:48.09, 5. Derrick Peterson (Missouri) 1:48.10, 6. Bryan Berryhill (Col St) 1:49.07, 7. Mike Schroer (Reeb) 1:49.41, 8. David Krummenacker (adidas) 1:49.48
2/ 1. Strutzel 1:46.37, 2. T.Gray 1:46.42, 3. Everett 1:46.79, 4. Pyrah 1:46.95, 5. Lubert Lewis (Syr.Chargers) 1:47.53, 6. Michael Stember (Stanford) 1:47.63, 7. Trinity Townsend (Nbal) 1:47.92, 8. Elliott Gaskins (Reeb) 1:48.98

Heats - first 2 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 21, 21.07-21:35 Hr

- 1/ 1. Everett 1:47.15, 2. Woodward 1:47.43, 3. Townsend 1:47.43, 4. Matt Kalwinsky (Reeb) 1:49.16, 5. Anders Christiansen (Unat) 1:50.95, 6. Johnny Gray (SMTC) 1:53.27
2/ 1. Kuzma 1:46.56, 2. Gaskins 1:46.62, 3. Gray 1:46.64, 4. Krummenacker 1:47.54, 5. Matt Holthaus (Reeb) 1:48.55, 6. Brandon Rock (Unat) 1:53.85, Gabe Jennings (Stan) - Dns
3/ 1. Peterson 1:48.90, 2. Lewis 1:49.33, 3. Ned Brooks (Seton H) 1:50.03, 4. Jason Long (J Mad) 1:50.32, 5. Jason VanSwol (Ill) 1:53.23, Jason Lunn (Unat) and Adam Ellison (Unat) – Dns
4/ 1. Pyrah 1:46.62, 2. Strutzel 1:46.70, 3. Berryhill 1:47.01, 4. Ricky Etheridge (Unat) 1:49.64, 5. Charlie Gruber (Kans) 1:54.14, Seneca Lassiter (Nike) – Dns
5/ 1. Kenah 1:47.85, 2. Robinson 1:47.95, 3. Stember 1:48.20, 4. Schroer 1:48.51, 5. Al Royster (SMTC) 1:48.87, 6. Mike Miller (Unat) 1:49.55, 6. Aaron Samansky (Reeb) 1:52.44

With only 2 guaranteed to qualify the heats were intense. Mark Everett won the first race from Bryan Woodward, after Johnny Gray

had taken them through 400 in 52.84 before easing off and jogging in. The 40 year old then slowly took a lap of honor with the crowd affectionately applauding. Jeff Kuzma was the winner of heat 2, with the fastest time of the day (1:46.56), pulling 3 others through to the next round. Jason Pyrah was the other sub-1:47 heat winner, running a PR 1:46.62. In the first semi Robinson went out quickly (24.6) but then slowed up to pass 400 in 53.34, and 600 in 1:21.2. Robinson controlled the race from the pole lane, winning by half a meter from Woodward who led a blanket finish across the line, with the top US collegian of 1999-2000 Derrick Peterson losing out by 1/100th. Trinity Gray led from the gun in heat 2, passing 200 in 23.8 and halfway in 50.53, with Lewis (51.4) leading the pursuers. Gray still held a 4m lead at 600 (1:18.0) while Strutzel was now 5 meters ahead of the pack. The tall UCLA star caught Gray with 20 meters to go, winning narrowly with Everett churning through the field from 6th to 3rd in the last 100m. Gray charged to the front in the final, zipping by 200 in 24.3 with Robinson close behind, and reached halfway in 50.75, with Robinson 4m back, just ahead of Strutzel and Woodward. Everett moved up into position to kick at the 600m mark, now just 2 yards behind Gray. Everett moved past Gray off the bend, with Woodward in tow, and as usual, Kenah finished quickly (last 100 in 13.0) to pass all but Everett. The winning time of 1:45.67 was the slowest for 32 years, which did not augur well for US chances in Sydney – and none of the 3 selected was better than 5th in his heat.

1500 Meters - July 16, 14.20 Hr

1. Gabe Jennings (Stanford)	3:35.90	59.0/58.4/55.7/42.8
2. Jason Pyrah (Nike)	3:36.70	59.0/59.0/56.9/41.8
3. Michael Stember (Stanford)	3:37.04	59.2/59.3/56.2/42.3
4. Jason Lunn (Unat)	3:37.24	59.9/58.5/57.5/41.3
5. Steve Holman (Nike)	3:37.36	59.5/58.9/57.0/42.0
6. Andy Downin (Wisconsin RR)	3:38.36	59.6/59.0/57.0/42.8
7. Seneca Lassiter (Nike)	3:38.81	59.2/58.7/56.6/44.3
8. Matt Holthaus (Reebok)	3:39.85	59.9/59.0/57.7/43.3

9. Karl Paranya (Asics) 3:40.72, 10. Michael Ryan (Reebok) 3:41.14, 11. Richie Boulet (NewBal) 3:43.88, 12. David Krummenacker (adidas) 3:50.50

Heats - first 3 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 14, 19.00-19.15 Hr

- 1/ 1. Jennings 3:38.96, 2. Stember 3:39.51, 3. Downin 3:39.53, 4. Lassiter 3:39.71, 5. Holman 3:40.11, 6. Boulet 3:40.99, 7. Bryan Berryhill (Col St) 3:41.14, 8. Jacob Maas (Unat) 3:42.23, 9. Mike Miller (Unat) 3:42.26, 10. Paul McMullen (Saucony) 3:50.13, 11. Daniel Wilson (Conn) 3:58.73
- 2/ 1. Lunn 3:38.68, 2. Paranya 3:38.86, 3. Pyrah 3:39.18, 4. Krummenacker 3:39.86, 5. Ryan 3:40.47, 6. Holthaus 3:40.81, 7. Jeremy Huffman (Unat) 3:47.40, 8. Jamey Harris (Reebok) 3:48.07, 9. Terrance Herrington (Unat) 3:55.05, 10. Charlie Gruber (Kansas) 3:57.08, 11. Ricky Etheridge (Unat) 3:57.15

The heats were sensibly paced affairs, resulting in all athletes running under 3:41 making the final. Big David Krummenacker set the pace in the final, passing 400m in 58.6, before Boulet took over with a level paced second lap of 58.4. With 600m to go Jennings, who had dominated the NCAA race, pulled level with Boulet and began to apply pressure. A third lap of 55.7 took him past 1200 in 2:53.1, and while his pace slowed slightly with a 42.8 last 300 (57.1 pace) he still had 6 meters advantage over fast finishing Jason Pyrah. The battle for the final Olympic place was won by Jennings' Stanford teammate Stember, who surged past fading Seneca Lassiter with 50m to go, and held off the closing rushes of Lunn and Holman.

3000 Meters Steeplechase - July 20, 21:45 Hr

1. Pascal Dobert (Nike)	8:15.77
2. Mark Croghan (adidas)	8:16.20
3. Tony Cosey (adidas)	8:21.41
4. Tim Broe (adidas)	8:21.50
5. Clint Wells (Native American Sp.Council)	8:23.26
6. Tom Nohilly (Reebok)	8:25.09
7. Antony Famiglietti (Tenn)	8:25.37
8. Robert Gary (adidas)	8:25.87

9. Chuck Sloan (Okla.St) 8:26.66, 10. Tom Chorny (Nike) 8:31.53, 11. Greg Jimmerson (Unat) 8:34.11, 12. Dave Cullum (Unat) 8:42.50, 13. Billy Herman (Unat) 8:50.98. Darin Shearer (Reeb) - Dnf

Heats - first 3 plus 5 fastest losers qualify, July 17, 19.45-20.20 Hr

- 1/ 1. Croghan 8:26.75, 2. Nohilly 8:27.75, 3. Broe 8:28.05, 4. Shearer 8:28.98, 5. Sandu Rebenciuc (US Army) 8:35.02, 6. Chris Dugan (NC St) 8:37.69, 7. Brady Bonsall (adi) 8:41.53, 8. Richard Lee (Asics) 8:47.36, 9. Sam Wilbur (US Army) 8:57.28, 10. Jeremy Tolman (Unat) 8:57.55, 11. Jay Brock (Unat) 9:03.04, 12. Derek Kite (Unat) 9:05.71, 13. Scott Strand (NewB) 9:15.27
- 2/ 1. Dobert 8:24.89, 2. Herman 8:26.02, 3. Wells 8:27.04, 4. Sloan 8:28.75, 5. Jimmerson 8:32.46, 6. Steve Slattery (Col) 8:37.74, 7. Francis O'Neill (Asics) 8:39.99, 8. Fred Carter (Unat) 8:42.25, 9. Ray Hughes (Nike) 8:43.41, 10. Sam Barall (Unat) 8:51.72,

11. Casey O'Shea (adi)9:21.31. Jonathan Russell (NewB) - Dnf

3/ 1. Gary 8:26.22, 2. Famiglietti 8:26.67, 3. Chorny 8:27.67, 4. Cosey 8:28.94, 5. Cullum 8:33.34, 6. Ian Connor (Ohio St) 8:35.09, 7. Dave Wittman (Hous H) 8:38.46, 8. Jacques Sallburg (Unat) 8:39.03, 9. Rick Mestler (Asics) 8:39.74, 10. Jay Pirtle (Missouri) 8:43.5, 11. Jared Cordes (Wisc) 8:53.04. Rob Cook (NewB) - Dns

22 men ran under 8:40 in the heats and 12 of the 14 qualifiers beat 8:30. Eight of the 14 ran lifetime bests just to make the final. Two who did not were Mark Croghan, '96 winner, and Pascal Dobert. Croghan took the lead from the gun, with Dobert in tow. The two drew clear of the field, led by Gary, after two laps and had opened a 10m gap after 1500m. By the bell, reached in 7:11, the gap was 40m. Dobert had attacked with 450m left, but Croghan regained the lead in the final back straight, only to have Dobert pass him off the last hurdle. Behind them Cosey just held off Broe as both ran lifetime bests. None of the Americans made the Olympic final, though Croghan missed qualifying by just 0.19 seconds.

5000 Meters - July 21, 20.55 Hr

1. Adam Goucher (Fila)	13:27.06
2. Brad Hauser (Nike)	13:27.31
3. Nick Rogers (Nike)	13:29.48
4. Matt Lane (Wm & Mary)	13:37.03
5. Marc Davis (Nike)	13:39.88
6. Bob Kennedy (Nike)	13:42.15
7. Jason Stewart (US Army)	13:44.47
8. Jonathon Riley (Stan)	13:46.24

9. Alan Culpepper (adi) 13:48.75, 10. Chris Graff (Reeb) 13:49.45, 11. Brent Hauser (Nike) 13:57.71, 12. Brian Baker(NewB) 13:58.72, 13. Peter Sherry (Reeb) 14:08.97, 14. Andre Williams (Reeb) 14:13.85, 15. Matt Downin (Wisc) 14:14.24, 16. Phil Price (Reeb) 14:16.73, Bolota Asmeron (Unat) - Dnf

Heats - first 4 plus 8 fastest losers qualify, July 17, 21:25, 21:50 Hr

1/ 1. Brad Hauser 13:43.33, 2. Bre. Hauser 13:43.86, 3. Baker 13:44.18, 4. Downin 13:44.40, 5. Goucher 13:44.58, 6. Williams 13:45.40, 7. Kennedy 13:46.07, 8. Asmeron 13:47.18, 9. Price 13:47.99, 10. Dan Browne (US Army) 13:48.84, 11. Matt Giusto (Reeb) 14:01.08, 12. John Schoenfelder (Wisc) 14:02.74, 13. Mike Bernstein (US Army) 14:03.93, 14. Weldon Johnson (Letsrun) 14:24.31. Teddy Mitchell (NewB) - Dnf. Mebrahtom Keflezighi (Nike), Gabe Jennings (Stan) and Peter Julian (adi) - Dns.

2/ 1. Stewart 13:40.36, 2. Lane 13:40.47, 3. Davis 13:42.27, 4. Sherry 13:42.42, 5. Graff 13:43.52, 6. Rogers 13:43.85, 7. Culpepper 13:46.93, 8. Jason Balkman (Stan) 13:52.70, 9. Bryan Spoonire (Reeb) 13:52.92, 10. Reuben Reina (Asics) 13:58.12, 11. Riley 14:02.55, 12. Adam Dailey (Ark) 14:07.99, 13. Jeff Simonich (Nike) 14:24.06, 14. Michel Klass (Col St) 14:42.67, 15. Ray Appenheimer (Nike) 15:12.97. Ryan Wilson (adi) - Dnf. Richie Boulet (NewB) and Abdihakim Abdi (Nike) - Dns

Bob Kennedy was America's top distance man in the 1990's. Of the 15 performances under 13:10 by Americans, 14 were run by Kennedy. But in May 2000 Kennedy injured his back in an auto accident and had to miss 4 weeks training. He, and Adam Goucher the US champion in 1999 who had also been injured during 2000, made the final, but both were time qualifiers rather than going through as of right. With less than 8 seconds covering the qualifiers (except for Jonathon Riley who qualified on appeal after his shoe came off in a spiking incident), there was no clear favorite. Always a tempo runner, Kennedy set out his store with laps of 61.9 and 62.8, and by 2km (5:16.4) was 40m clear. Kennedy's lack of conditioning then became clear as his 3rd kilometer was 10 seconds slower (2:46.8), as Marc Davis drew level and the pack closed to within 10 yards. The heat caused everyone to use the 4th kilometer as a time to gather and get set for the finish. Tall Nick Rogers was the first to make a move with less than 3 laps to go, and his 62.5 lap got rid of everyone except Goucher and Hauser. These two sped by Rogers with 250m left and Goucher held off Hauser all the way to win by 2 meters, with Rogers 15m behind but more than 50m clear of the pack.

10000 Meters - July 14, 20.45 Hr

1. Mebrahtom Keflezighi (Nike)	28:03.32
2. Alan Culpepper (adi)	28:03.35
3. Abdirahman Abdi (Nike)	28:19.08
4. Shawn Found (US Army)	28:33.73
5. Brad Hauser (Stan)	28:36.53
6. James Jurkevich (Hansons RS)	28:39.20
7. Matt Downin (Wisc)	28:45.58
8. Rod DeHaven (NewB)	28:48.98

9. Jason Balman (Stan) 28:50.90, 10. Ryan Shay (Notre D) 28:51.74, 11. Peter Julian (adi) 28:57.45, 12. Gary Stoltz (Nike) 29:11.97, 13.

Eric Tollefson (Asics) 29:13.72, 14. Kyle Baker (Unat) 29:21.89, 15. Chad Johnson (Unat) 29:28.47, 16. Andrew Begley (Unat) 29:28.79, 17. Weldon Johnson (Unat) 29:29.40, 18. Steven Schell (Mich St) 29:30.19, 19. Keith Dowling (adi) 29:31.67, 20. Peter DeLaCerde (Reeb) 29:32.92, 21. Mike Mykytok (Unat) 29:33.36, 22. Chris Graff (Reeb) 29:36.12, 23. Nathan Nutter (Nike) 29:42.28, 24. Adam Dailey (Ark) 30:01.51, 25. Jason Lehmkuhle (Unat) 30:32.29, 26. Teddy Mitchell (NewB) 30:52.49, 27. Brad Barquist (Nike) 31:16.25. Eric Polonski (NewB), Nick Rogers (Nike), Mike Donnelly (NewB), Dan Middleman (NYAC), Brent Hauser (Stan), Stetson Steele (Iowa) and Nolan Swanson (Nike) – Dnf. Terrance Mahon (adi) and Bob Kennedy (Nike) - Dns

With the program sensibly dispensing with heats, the athletes only had to brave the Californian heat for one set of 25 laps. Abdirahman set a solid pace, passing 400m in 66.4. Laps in the 67s followed, with Jim Jurcevich taking over pacesetting after 3k, closely followed by Abdirahman, Keflezighi, Brad Hauser and Culpepper. Abdirahman took back the lead after 4k and passed halfway in 14:11.93 with the lap pace now in the 68s. Keflezighi stayed on Abdi's shoulder until, with 8 laps to go, he injected 2 laps of 65 seconds. Hauser and Culpepper passed Abdi with 5 laps to go, some 50m behind Keflezighi. Culpepper escaped from Hauser, who faded and was repassed by Abdi. Keflezighi began the final lap with his big lead intact, but Culpepper began a drive reminiscent of Zatopek chasing Reiff in the 1948 OG 5k, and at the finish was one stride away from passing Keflezighi, who got home by 0.03 seconds. Both Abdi (Somalia) and Keflezighi (Eritrea) were African born, and both ran well in Sydney – Abdi placing 10th in a PR 27:46.17, two places ahead of Keflezighi's PR 27:53.63.

20 Kilometer Walk - June 22, 07.00 Hr

1. Tim Seaman (NYAC)	1:25:41
2. Kevin Eastler (USAF)	1:26:38
3. Andrew Hermann (MAC)	1:28:06
4. Mike Rohl (New Bal)	1:32:24
5. Philip Dunn (ProC)	1:32:39
6. John Nunn (Unat)	1:32:57
7. Ian Whatley (P Val)	1:33:28
8. Dave McGovern (New Bal)	1:35:28

9. Jonathan Matthews (New Bal) 1:37:39, 10. Matthew DeWitt (WIP) 1:41:57. Gary Morgan (NYAC), Sean Albert (NJ Str) – Dnf, and Curt Clausen (NYAC) - Dns

Clausen, the favorite, was injured, and the race developed as a duel between Seaman and Eastler, the twopassing halfway in 43:01. Seaman went clear at the 12k mark, and won by 200m to claim the only available Olympic spot. He went on to place 40th in Sydney.

50 Kilometer Walk - February 13

1. Curt Clausen (NYAC)	3:56:16
2. Andrew Hermann (Adidas)	3:57:54
3. Philip Dunn (adi)	4:07:00
4. Jonathan Matthews (New Bal)	4:21:39
5. Andrzej Chylinski (NYAC)	4:26:07
6. Gary Morgan (NYAC)	4:37:02
7. Mark Green (Las Vegas W)	4:50:46

Marco Evoniuk (Unat), Steve Pecinovsky (USAF) and John Soucek (Shore) – Dnf. Al Heppner (Pot.V) - Dq

Clausen battled windy wet conditions and Herrmann, Dunn and Heppner until 35k, when he broke away for good. Clausen's time of 3:56:16 was excellent in the conditions and was achieved with well paced halves of 1:58:32 and 1:57:44. Herrmann repeated his second place of 1996, but was nearly 10 minutes faster this time. Dunn took third after falling back in the last 10k, while Heppner stepped off the course with hypothermia (!) at 45k, having already been disqualified for "lifting". Clausen again went under 4:00 at the Olympics, placing 22nd with 3:58:39.

Marathon - Pittsburgh, May 7, 09.00 Hr

1. Rod DeHaven (New Bal)	2:15:30
2. Peter de la Cerda (Reeb)	2:16:18
3. Mark Coogan (New Bal)	2:17:04
4. Scott Larson (New Bal)	2:17:15
5. Eddy Hellebuyck (New Bal)	2:18:30
6. Dave Scudamore (FT)	2:18:38
7. Gary Stolz (FTW)	2:18:46
8. Jeff Campbell (Col)	2:19:18

78 finished, 100 started

With temperatures at 65o at the start of the race, and 80o+ by the finish, this was neither going to be a fast race, nor representative of the weather conditions for Sydney, which begged the question of the venue and date of the Trials race. Jerry Lawson, who would place

75th, set the early pace, and the first break came from de la Cerda, and the former Belgian, Hellebuyck. Just after halfway de la Cerda went clear and by 18 miles was 200m clear. DeHaven, who had started carefully, gradually broke down the lead, went ahead just after 23 miles and won comfortably to be the only American Marathon selection for Sydney.

110 Meters Hurdles - July 23, 17.24 Hr (1.5w)

1. 5. Allen Johnson (Nike)	12.97
2. 6. Mark Crear (GodSpeedTC)	13.11
3. 4. Terrence Trammell (South Carolina)	13.19
4. 2. Dawane Wallace (adidas)	13.22
5. 7. Larry Wade (Nike)	13.26
6. 1. Chris Phillips (Unat)	13.32
-. 3. Dominique Arnold (Unat)	Dnf
-. 8. Tony Dees (Unat)	DQ

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 23, 15.20 Hr

- 1/ 1. Arnold 13.14, 2. Johnson 13.15, 3. Phillips 13.31, 4. Wade 13.34, 5. Jeff York (NYPC) 13.49, 6. Eugene Swift (Unat) 13.59, 7. Ron Bramlett (Ala) 13.61, 8. Aubrey Herring (IndSt) 13.98 (+1.1w)
- 2/ 1. Crear 13.34, 2. Trammell 13.38, 3. Wallace 13.40, 4. Dees 13.41, 5. Reggie Torian (Asics) 13.42, 6. Deworski Odom (Nike) 13.59, 7. Terry Reese (Nike) 13.95, Duane Ross (Unat) – DQ. (-0.3w)

Heats - first 3 plus 7 fastest losers qualify, July 22, 10.18-10:40 Hr

- 1/ 1. Wallace 13.37, 2. Wade 13.48, 3. Phillips 13.56, 4. Torian 13.59, 5. Bramlett 13.76, 6. Herring 13.89, 7. Robby Hughes (Life U) 13.90. Matt Rush (Tenn) – DQ. (+0.9w)
- 2/ 1. Trammell 13.51, 2. Odom 13.65, 3. York 13.69, 4. Swift 13.73, 5. Crear 13.77, 6. Greg Richardson (C Mich) 14.12, 7. Kris Allen (Tex A&M) 14.34. Derek Knight (Unat) – Dns. (-0.9w)
- 3/ 1. Arnold 13.36 2. A. Johnson 13.42, 3. Dees 13.55, 4. Reese 13.57, 5. Ross 13.80, 6. Arend Watkins (Ball St) 14.01, 7. Uwezu McReynolds (Bronx Int'l) 14.09, 8. Richard Benoy (Unat) 14.09 (-1.4w)

The reduction from 3 preliminary rounds to 2 was partly sensible scheduling, but also a reflection of stagnating standards – in 2000 some 43 athletes ran under 13.90, 5 less than in 1992. The only surprise of the first round was the poor running of Mark Crear. The '96 OG silver medallist smacked several hurdles and only qualified as one of the fastest losers. The following day Crear made amends in his semifinal, taking over the lead from 36 year old Tony Dees at halfway, with NCAA champion Trammell leading a chasing pack of 4 to second place. The unfortunate loser was Reggie Torian, who was edged by 1/100th by Dees' 13.41. The first semifinal had seen Dominique Arnold edge Johnson by inches in a PR 13.14. In the final Johnson and Arnold were out fastest, but Arnold, pressing too hard, hit two hurdles and then came to a stop at the 6th hurdle. Johnson was by then a meter clear of Crear and he won by 1 ½ meters, with fast finishing Trammell beating Wallace for the final spot by a foot. Trammell went on to be the most successful of the US trio in Sydney running a PR 13.16 for second (behind Anier Garcia, and) ahead of Crear (3rd 13.22) and Johnson (4th 13.23)

400 Meters Hurdles - July 22, 11.50 Hr

6. 1. Angelo Taylor (Nike)	47.62
4. 2. Eric Thomas (Nike)	48.22
7. 3. James Carter (Md Elite)	48.46
5. 4. Joey Woody (New Bal)	48.83
1. 5. William Porter (Nike)	48.88
8. 6. Calvin Davis (adidas)	49.27
2. 7. Sherman Armstrong (Illinois)	50.04
3. 8. Louis Sales (Reebok)	50.89

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 21, 19.50 Hr

- 1/ 1. Taylor 48.59, 2. Thomas 48.89, 3. Davis 49.27, 4. Sales 49.72, 5. Octavius Terry (Bronx Int'l) 49.92, 6. Derrick Adkins (Unat) 50.22, 7. Makio Haywood (Unat) 50.70, 8. Ferdana Johnson (Unat) 50.74
- 2/ 1. Woody 48.72, 2. Carter 48.87, 3. Porter 48.91, 4. Armstrong 48.94, 5. Torrance Zellner (adidas) 49.12, 6. Maurice Mitchell (Team Q) 49.23, 7. Bayano Kamani (Baylor) 50.50, 8. Regan Nichols (Asics) 51.82

Heats - first 2 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 20, 20.00-20.25 Hr

- 1/ 1. Haywood 50.16, 2. Kamani 50.39, 3. Nichols 50.44, 4. Aaron Lacy (Unat) 51.75, 5. Kyle Grossarth (BYU) 52.22. Sam Glover (Ark) - Dns
- 2/ 1. Thomas 49.25, 2. Porter 49.34, 3. Zellner 49.50, 4. Terry 49.83, 5. Mitchell 50.56, 6. Mario Russo (Unat) 52.41
- 3/ 1. Armstrong 49.53, 2. Carter 49.77, 3. David Aaron (Tex) 51.10, 4. Derek Spears (Unat) 51.92. Aaron Haynes (Spr Cap) and Brett Guymon (Ut St)- Dns
- 4/ 1. Taylor 49.55, 2. Adkins 49.84, 3. Sales 49.93, 4. McClinton Neal (SMTC) 51.46, 5. Calvin Bostic (USAF) 52.28, 6. john

McAfee (Ind Inv) 62.22

5/ 1. Woody 49.36, 2. Davis 50.25, 3. Johnson 50.56, 4. Quinton Milner (Unat) 50.72, 5. Travis McAshan (Tex A&M) 50.80, 6. Adrian Mann (Fla) 51.10

Thomas and Taylor, who had run 47.94 and 48.03 in Rome were the favorites, and were the fastest in the heats (Thomas 49.25) and semis (Taylor 48.59) respectively. Joey Woody, twice a World Champs representative, won the slower semifinal ahead of James Carter's PR 48.87. Taylor and Carter were the fastest starters, with Woody lagging behind. By 300m Taylor had taken command with Thomas a clear second.. Taylor went on to win by 5 meters from Thomas with a personal best 47.62. Behind them Woody and Carter had been level at the penultimate hurdle, but Carter's strength won him the final Olympic spot – again with a PR. By Sydney, Thomas had overraced, and failed to make the final, but Carter again ran a PR – this time 48.04 for 4th, while Taylor won gold from the difficult inside lane with 47.50 – the second Georgia Tech alumni in a row to win the gold.

High Jump - July 23, 15.30 Hr

1. Charles Austin (Nike)	7'7 1/4" (2.32)
2. Kenny Evans (Ark)	7'5 1/4" (2.27)
3. Nathan Leeper (Nike)	7'5 1/4" (2.27)
4. Charles Clinger (Web St)	7'5 1/4" (2.27)
5. Henry Patterson (Nike)	7'3 1/4" (2.22)
5. James Nieto (Unat)	7'3 1/4" (2.22)
7. Ron Nelson (PV)	7'3 1/4" (2.22)
7. Jeremy Fischer (Wisc TC)	7'3 1/4" (2.22)
7. Tora Harris (Shore AC)	7'3 1/4" (2.22)
10. Marc Chenn (Unat)	7'1 1/2" (2.17)
10. Matt Hemingway (TeamQ)	7'1 1/2" (2.17)

Qualifying: July 21, 14.00 Hr, Hr: All qualifiers cleared 7'2 1/2" (2.20). Non-qualifiers: no height - Tim Bell (Tenn), Jason Boness (Or), Darnell Furman (Fla), Isaac Hill (Unat), Robert Jordan (Barton), Paul Klemic (Unat), Shane Lavy (Neb), Lavar Miller (Ark), Rod Newton (Ms St), Steve Parker (Ind Invaders), Steve Smith (Unat)

11 men made 2.20, and it was decided to hold the field at that level rather than have a jump-off between the other 11 who failed at 2.20. The first shock in the final came when Matt Hemingway missed at 2.22. He had leaped 2.38 indoors to win the US title and was favored to go better than his FOT 4th in 1996. At the next height of 7 5 1/4" Austin and Evans cleared 1st time, Leeper on his 2nd jump, and the 6'9" tall Clinger on his final effort. Austin made 2.32 at this first attempt to win his 2nd OT in a row to join Ed Caruthers (64-68) and Cornelius Johnson (32-36) as the only men to win (or share a win) in consecutive Trials.

Pole Vault - July 16, 11.00-14.05 Hr

1. Lawrence Johnson (adidas)	19'1 1/2" (5.83)
2. Nick Hysong (Nike)	18'9 1/2" (5.73)
3. Chad Harting (Unat)	18'5 1/2" (5.63)
3. Derek Miles (Unat)	18'5 1/2" (5.63)
3. Pat Manson (US West)	18'5 1/2" (5.63)
6. Tye Harvey (New Bal)	18'1 3/4" (5.53)
6. Brent Burns (Reebok)	18'1 3/4" (5.53)
8. Tim Mack (Unat)	18'1 3/4" (5.53)
9. Jacob Pauli (Nn Iowa)	18'1 3/4" (5.53)

Billy Payne (Unat), Russ Buller (LSU), Toby Stevenson (Stan), Jim Davis (Fresno St), Scott Slover (Reeb) - no height.

Qualifying: July 14, 19.45 Hr: All qualifiers cleared 18'2 1/2" (5.55). Brian Hunter (Va T), Tommy Hanna (Unat), Kevin Brown (MF Ath), Scott Hennig (Reeb) – all 17'10 1/2" (5.45). No height - Ryan Barkdull (Unat), Borya Celentano (LB St), Jeff Hartwig (Nike), Daren McDonough (Ind Invaders), Michael McNamara (Okla), Dean Starkey (Nike), Luke Walker (Unat)

US record holder Jeff Hartwig had surprised with his excellent jumping 4 year earlier. This time problems with his contact lenses meant that he surprised again – but this time by failing to get through the qualifying round.. Both Lawrence Johnson, defending Trials champion, and Nick Hysong needed just 3 jumps to ensure team qualification. By then they were over 18'9 1/2", with Hysong leading after a first time clearance. Behind them Harting, Miles and Manson were tied after third time clearances at 18'5 1/2". In a jump-off Harting made the team by clearing 18'5 1/2", while Miles took the first reserve position by making 18'0". Before this, Johnson took the win with his final jump at 19'1 1/2". Hysong then went on to take Olympic gold with a PR 19'4 1/4", with Johnson second on countback.

Long Jump - July 17, 19.30 Hr

1. Melvin Lister (Ark)	27'3 3/4" (8.32)	+1.6	7.69/8.32/x/7.87/xx
2. Dwight Phillips (Nike)	26'8 1/2" (8.14)	+1.0	x/7.67/8.00/x/8.14/x
3. Walter Davis (Barton)	26'7 1/2" (8.11)	+1.4	8.11/7.87/7.90/7.91/7.77/7.35

4. Robert Howard (Reebok)	26'5 3/4" (8.07)	+0.9	8.07/7.85/x/x/x/8.02
5. Savante Stringfellow (Miss)	26'4 1/2" (8.04)	+2.0	7.97/x/8.04/7.78/7.95/x
6. Erick Walder (adidas)	26'3 1/2" (8.01)	+1.2	7.87/7.96/7.99/7.98/8.01/x
7. Roland McGhee (Nike)	26'1 1/4" (7.97)	+1.3	
8. Miguel Pate (Ala)	26'1" (7.95)	+1.0	

9. Marcus Thomas (LSU) 25'11 1/2" (7.91), 10. Jamorya Funderburk (Unat) 25'4" (7.72), James Stallworth (Unat) 25'0" (7.62), 12. Johnathan Daniels (Unat) 24'11 3/4" (7.61)

Qualifying: July 15, 17.45 Hr, 26'7" (8.10) or top-12: Phillips 26'11 1/4" (8.21), Stringfellow 26'10 1/2" (8.19), Davis 26'9 1/4" (8.16), Pate 26'9 1/4" (8.16), Lister 26'72 (8.10), Thomas 26'3 1/2" (8.01), Howard 26'2 1/2" (7.99), Walder 26'0 1/4" (7.93), Funderburk 26'0" (7.92), Stallworth 25'10 1/4" (7.88), Daniels 25'9 1/4" (7.85), McGhee 25'8" (7.82). Non-Qualifiers: Jayson Duff (Unat) 25'5 1/4" (7.75), Maurice Lewis (Fla) 25'4 1/2" (7.73), Gerald Williams (SC Cheetahs) 25'2" (7.67), Kevin Wiley (Asics) 25'0 1/2" (7.63), Kevin Dilworth (adi) 25'0 1/2" (7.63), Marcell Williams (Unat) 25'0" (7.62), Kimton Coleman (Unat) 24'10 1/2" (7.58), Frankie Young (Ind Inv) 24'4 1/2" (7.43), Maurice English (St Aug) 24'3 3/4" (7.41), Sean Robbins (Unat) 24'1 3/4" (7.36), Deandre Free (Missouri) 24'1 1/2" (7.35), Delvit Rogers (Mem) 23'11 1/2" (7.30), Joe Greene (Unat) 23'8 3/4" (7.23), Shawn Watson (Shore) 23'3 1/2" (7.10), Jerrod Sanders (Unat) 22'11 3/4" (7.00), Clayton Porter (Ga T) – nm.

The measure of the long jump was best gauged by the fact that Walder placed 6th – the same as he had in 1996, but with a mark almost a foot worse than in 1996. 5 men produced 10 jumps of 8.22m or better in Atlanta, while Sacramento saw just 1 jump at that level. Melvin Lister, the leading pre-trials American with 8.49, produced his winning jump in the 2nd round. Walter Davis had led with 8.11, and ended up 3rd behind Arizona State's Dwight Phillips. Davis decided to concentrate on the TJ for Sydney, as did 4th placer Howard, which left 5th placer Stringfellow, the NCAA champion, as the final qualifier. Only Phillips, who placed 8th, made the Olympic final.

Triple Jump - July 23, 15.30 Hr

1. Robert Howard (Reebok)	55'9"	(16.99)	+0.5	x/16.99/16.88/16.99/x/16.89
2. LaMark Carter (Powerade)	55'7 3/4"	(16.96)	-0.6	16.48/16.75/16.29/16.24/16.77/16.96
3. Walter Davis (Barton)	55'3"	(16.84)	-0.8	
4. Leonard Cobb (Unat)	55'1 1/2"	(16.80)	+0.8	
5. Clifton Etheridge (Unat)	54'6 1/2"	(16.62)	-0.3	
6. Chris Hercules (Texas)	53'11 1/4"	(16.44)	-1.8	
7. Rich Thompson (Bronx Int'l)	53'7 3/4"	(16.35)	+1.3	
8. Von Ware (Unat)	53'7 1/2"	(16.34)	-0.3	

9. LeVar Anderson (Nike) 53'6 1/2" (16.32), 10. Robert Johnson (Shore) 53'1 1/2" (16.19), 11. Kenta Bell (Unat) 52'10 3/4" (16.12), 12. Marcus Thomas (LSU) 52'2" (15.90)

Qualifying: July 21, 19.00 Hr, 54'11 1/2" (16.75) or top-12: Carter 54'10 1/4" (16.72), Davis 54'9 1/2" (16.70), Howard 54'7 1/2" (16.65), Hercules 54.2 1/2" (16.52), Etheridge 54'2" (16.51), Ware 54' 1 1/4" (16.49), Anderson 54'0 1/2" (16.47), Thomas 54'0" (16.46), Thompson 53'8 1/4" (16.36), Cobb 53'6 1/4" (16.31), Bell 53'5" (16.28), Johnson 53'3 1/2" (16.24). Non-Qualifiers: Kenny Harrison (Unat) 53'0" (16.15), Tim Rusan (St Aug) 52'10 1/4" (16.11), Greg Yeldell (Ind) 52'7 1/4" (16.03), Jason Ward (Ark) 52'5 1/4" (15.98), Abdul Rasheed (Barton) 52'3 3/4" (15.94), Kendrick Morgan (Unat) 52'3 3/4" (15.94), Jim McCann (Or Int'l) 52' 1 3/4" (15.89), Brandon Craven (Unat) 52'1" (15.87), Lenton Herring (Wisc) 51'10 1/2" (15.81), Del Smurtherman (Unat) 51'9 1/4" (15.78), Desmond Hunt (Unat) 51'5" (15.67), Bashir Ramzy (Tex A&M) 50'9 1/4" (15.47), Demetrius Murray (Club Ballard) 48'9" (14.86), Terrance Woods (ACU) – nm.

Defending Olympic champion Kenny Harrison missed the final by 3 1/2". As in the Long Jump, the standard was well down on the previous Trials – indeed the winning mark was the worst since 1980. Robert Howard, '96 Olympian, dominated proceedings, with all 4 of his fair jumps good enough to qualify. Carter (54'0 3/4") led from Davis (54'0") after the first round, and only Cobb's 55'1 1/2" in the third round interrupted the top-3. Carter had to produce his best jump of the competition in the last round to move ahead of Cobb and Davis. Howard, who had missed 1999 through injury, went on to jump creditably in Sydney, with 55'11 1/4" in 7th, with Davis placing 11th in his first international championship.

Shot Put - July 15, 15.45 Hr

1. Adam Nelson (Nike)	72'7"	(22.12)	21.32/20.36/21.06/x/20.87/22.12
2. C.J. Hunter (Nike)	71'9"	(21.87)	21.01/21.10/21.81/21.24/21.22/21.87
3. Andy Bloom (Nike)	70'10 3/4"	(21.61)	x/20.01/x/x/19.57/21.61
4. John Godina (Reebok)	69'2 1/2"	(21.09)	20.87/21.09/20.92/20.99/20.85/x
5. Kevin Toth (Nike)	64'3"	(19.58)	
6. Reese Hoffa (Georgia)	62'2 1/4"	(18.95)	
7. Steve Albert (Unat)	61'3"	(18.67)	
8. Jarred Rome (Boise St)	61'2 1/4"	(18.65)	

9. John Davis (Unat) 59'10 1/4" (18.24), 10. Brad Mears (MF Ath) 59'8 1/2" (18.20), 11. Dennis Black (Unat) 59'4" (18.08), 12. Aaron Banks (Unat) 59'3 1/2"

Qualifying: July 14, 16.45 Hr, 65'7 1/2" (20.00) or top-12: Nelson 68'3 3/4" (20.82), Davis 66'3" (20.19), Toth 65'10 1/2" (20.08), Hunter 65'8 1/4" (20.02), Godina 65'3 1/2" (19.90), Bloom 65'0" (19.81), Albert 62'7 3/4" (19.09), Hoffa 61'0 3/4" (18.61), Rome 60'11 1/2" (18.58), Mears 60'3" (18.36), Black 60'0 1/2" (18.30), Banks 59'11" (18.26). Non-Qualifiers: Tonyo Sylvester (US Army) 59'8 1/4" (18.19), Richard Harrison (Unat) 59'5 3/4" (18.13), Jim Roberts (BYU) 58'10" (17.93), David Rodely (Unat) 58'3 3/4" (17.77), Van Mounts (USC)) 58'3 3/4" (17.77), Ben Lindsey (Wash) 58'3" (17.75), Jamie Beyer (Ia St) 57'4 1/4" (17.48), Mark Hoxmeier (Boise St) 57'3 1/2" (17.46) Matt Godbehere (Club Flav) 56'1" (17.09), Jason Hammond (Wy) 55'11" (17.04), Allen Babayan (Unat) and Christian Cantwell (Missouri) - nm

5 Americans had thrown beyond 70' in 2000, with Hunter and Godina, the World Champions since 1995 (Godina 95-97, Hunter '99), the favorites. Nelson, who had improved from 67'8 3/4" in 1999 to 71+ just before the Trials, took the lead with the 3rd throw of the competition, reaching 69'11 1/2". Hunter (68'11") and Godina (68'5 1/2") followed, and improved in round 2 to 69'2 3/4" and 69'2 1/4" respectively. Of the contenders Kevin Toth threw below expectations, and compounded his misery with a bizarre fall in round 4 when he trod on the stopboard and fell backwards. Hunter threw 71'6 1/2" in round three, and the order remained unchanged until the final round. Andy Bloom spun a lifetime best of 70'10 3/4", and leaped about in glee. Next up was Godina, who fouled, and then Nelson, relatively small at 6'0"/250, spun the shot out to 72'7" – the longest throw in the world since 1996, and good enough for #9 on the world all-time list. Hunter rounded out the competition with yet another PR – 71'9". Hunter was later suspended for drug use, and Godina took his place in Sydney, where the Americans finished Nelson-Godina-Bloom – but behind Harju of Finland.

Discus Throw - July 23, 15.45 Hr

1. Adam Setliff (Nike)	209'6"	(63.86)	
2. John Godina (Reebok)	208'8"	(63.61)	
3. Anthony Washington (US West)	207'10"	(63.36)	
4. Doug Reynolds (Unat)	201'5"	(61.40)	
5. Andy Bloom (Nike)	199'3"	(60.74)	
6. Nick Petrucci (Unat)	195'10"	(59.69)	
7. Mark White (Unat)	191'9"	(58.44)	
8. Carl Brown (Unat)	191'2"	(58.27)	

9. Casey Malone (Col St) 190'7" (58.09), 10. Kevin Fitzpatrick (Unat) 187'3" (57.08), 11. Reedus Thurmond (Aub) 186'11" (56.98), 12. James Dennis (UPS) 170'1" (51.84)/// Qualifying: July 22, 09.45 Hr, 211'7" (64.50) or top-12: Washington 219'7" (66.93), Godina 216'1" (65.86), Reynolds 207'8" (63.29), Bloom 207'0" (63.10), Setliff 206'3" (62.86), White 202'3" (61.64), Brown 202'0" (61.56), Thurmond 198'1" (60.39), Petrucci 196'10" (60.01), Malone 194'4" (59.24), Fitzpatrick 192'10" (58.79), Dennis 190'11" (58.20). Non-qualifiers: Jarred Rome (Boise St) 190'10" (58.18), David Dumble (Reeb) 190'9" (58.15), Tom Barrett (Unat) 188'2" (57.36), Michael Mielke (US Army) 186'5" (56.83), Jim Siefert 186'3" (56.78), Mark Simmons (SMU) 185'4" (56.50), Sean McKeown (Club Flavor) 184'10" (56.34), Ian Waltz (Wa St) 184'2" (56.13), Joey Erdkamp (Unat) 181'10" (55.43), Luke Sullivan (Reeb) 181'10" (55.42)

World Champion Washington led the preliminaries, and started the competition with his best throw of 207'10". Setliff and Godina overtook Washington with 209'6" and 208'8" respectively, and that was it. The 3 produced 9 fair throws between them – all of them beyond 4th placer Reynolds. The only surprise was Bloom, who threw below expectations – probably because he had already qualified in the shot.

Hammer Throw - July 21, 18.05 Hr

1. Lance Deal (NYAC)	258'9"	(78.87)	75.19/77.98/78.87/75.13/77.26/x
2. Kevin McMahon (Reebok)	240'6"	(73.36)	73.31/68.81/x/x/x/x
3. Jud Logan (MF Ath)	233'0"	(71.01)	69.51/x/69.56/69.56/69.78/71.01
4. Gerald Ingalls (Army)	230'4"	(70.22)	65.70/68.84/68.31/68.34/68.55/70.22
5. Kevin Mannon (NYAC)	229'4"	(69.90)	
6. Mark McGehearty (NYAC)	226'1"	(68.92)	
7. James Parker (Utah St)	222'2"	(67.72)	
8. John McEwen (MF Ath)	219'0"	(66.75)	

9. Travis Nutter (Unat) 215'5" (65.66), 10. Doug Bryant (Unat) 215'0" (65.54), 11. Marvin Williams (Unat) 213'1" (64.95), 12. Matt Kavanagh (Ky) 194'6" (59.28)

Qualifying: July 20, 16.20 Hr, 232'11" (71.00) or top-12: Deal 245'11" (74.97), McMahon 235'5" (71.76), M.McGehearty 229'5" (69.92), Ingalls 228'2" (69.50), Logan 227'10" (69.45), Mannon 225'9" (68.82), Parker 222'8" (67.88), Nutter 220'9" (67.29), Kavanagh 218'3" (66.53), McEwen 217'3" (66.22), Bryant 216'3" (65.91), Williams 215'9" (65.77). Non-qualifiers: Bert Sorin (Mjonir TC) 215'9" (65.76), Jay Harvard (Unat) 215'7" (65.70), Tom Freeman (Unat) 212'5" (64.74), Stephen Desantis (Pac Bay TC) 209'11" (63.98), Justin Carvalho (Sac TC) 206'9" (63.02), Scott Boothby (CNW) 206'2" (62.84), Erick Kingston (Unat) 205'6" (62.63), Aaron Thurman (Native Sons G) 200'7" (61.14), Chris Brown (Purdue) 196'5" (59.86), Carey Ryan (DePaul) 195'11" (59.72)

With Deal as prohibitive favorite, and McMahon and comebacking Logan expected to make the team, this was an event which saw no new Olympians. Deal lived up to his billing, with all 5 of his throws in the final well in excess of McMahon's best. Deal made his third team in a row, and McMahon his second. Behind them Logan was always in third – until round 6 when Ingalls moved up from 6th with a PR 230'4". Logan responded with 232'11". None of the Americans qualified in Sydney, though only Deal was likely to do – with a cut-off for the final of 251'4", but Deal fell short with 248'0"

Javelin Throw – July 20, 20.45 Hr

1. Breaux Greer (Unat)	266'0"	(81.08)
2. Tom Pukstys (Adidas)	260'4"	(79.36)
3. Todd Riech (Nike)	252'5"	(76.94)
4. Brian Kollar (Virginia)	240'1"	(73.18)
5. Ty Sevin (Unat)	239'10"	(73.11)
6. Oscar Duncan (Unat)	237'7"	(72.41)
7. Tom Petranoff (MF Ath)	230'11"	(70.39)
8. Josh Ray Johnson (Reebok)	226'7"	(69.07)

9. Darin File (Missouri) 224'4" (68.38), 10. Dave Masgay (Unat) 224'0" (68.29), 11. Mark Bridge (Ind-Pa) 219'5" (66.89), 12. Rogers Davis (Unat) 212'6" (64.78)/// Qualifying: July 17, 16.00 Hr, 246'1" (75.00) or top-12: Greer 263'1" (80.18), Riech 256'9" (78.26), Sevin 255'10" (77.97), Pukstys 254'9" (77.66), Petranoffv 237'3" (72.32), Kollar 234'6" (71.47), File 233'1" (71.05), Duncan 228'3" (69.57), Masgay 227'2" (69.25), Bridge 227'2" (69.24), Davis 227'1" (69.23), Johnson 226'9" (69.12). Non-qualifiers: Kevin Bateman (Unat) 224'9" (68.51), Scott Warren (Neb) 224'4" (68.38), Roald Bradstock (Unat) 223'5" (68.09), Cory Lehman (Neb) 223'4" (68.08), John Lally (Unat) 222'8" (67.86), Justin St Clair (Wash) 222'1" (67.70), Delyle Woods (Unat) 222'0" (67.67), Robert Austin (Unat) 221'2" (67.41), Robert Manning (Unat) 218'7" (66.63), Jason Bender (Reeb) 218'6" (66.59), Ron White (En Ill) 217'7" (66.31), Garret Noel (Unat) 216'0" (65.85), Chris Clever (Harv) 215'9" (65.76), John Taylor (Unat) 215'7" (65.71), Latrell Frederick (NW St) 215'1" (65.57), Ryan Cole (En Wa) 214'11" (65.50), Mark Fletcher (Reebok) 212'7" (64.80), Travis Grasha (Tex A&M) 210'2" (64.05), Nathan Junius (Tulane) 209'5" (63.84), Casey Pearce (Unat) 209'4" (63.80), Jason Young (Unat) 208'4" (63.50), Shane Petersen (Point Loma) 206'11" (63.08), Robert Woosley (Unat) 207'11" (63.38), Rich Destefano (Unat) 199'1" (60.68), John Hetzendorf (Kent St) – nm.

Breaux Greer had missed making the 1996 team by just 1 inch when he threw 79.98 rather than the A standard of 80.00. Only top American Tom Pukstys (84.11) had thrown the 2000 automatic qualifying distance of 82.00. Greer dominated the final, with 3 throws beyond the 79.36 of the slightly injured Pukstys, culminating with 81.08 in the 5th round. Todd Riech finished 3rd with 76.94, thus repeating the 1-2-3 of 1996, but in reverse order. If any other finalist other than Pukstys had reached 82.00 before Sydney then Greer (without reaching 269'0"/82.00) would have been deselected with the other 2 going to Sydney. Greer did reach 82.00, but ironically for Pukstys – too late, as his PR 271'1"/82.63 came in the OG qualifying round.

Decathlon - June 21/22

1. Tom Pappas (adidas)	(4451/2) 8467
10.70/7.41/15.32/2.14/48.91/14.27/45.81/5.10/63.45/4:59.74	
2. Chris Huffins (Oakley Int)	(4563/1) 8285
10.45/7.87/14.60/2.11/48.64/14.31/50.27/4.50/54.35/5:11.01	
3. Kip Janvrin (Unat)	(3978/9) 8057
11.03/6.92/13.94/1.90/48.39/14.88/42.30/5.00/59.30/4:12.01	
4. Phil McMullen (Asics)	(3973/10) 7954
11.27/6.99/14.44/1.96/49.48/15.07/45.38/4.90/55.63/4:19.86	
5. Dan Steele (US Army)	(3983/8) 7890
10.85/6.90/13.84/1.84/47.80/14.70/47.26/4.40/64.03/4:40.44	
6. Bevan Hart (Cal)	(4028/7) 7873
10.85/7.16/13.60/1.90/48.94/15.02/38.73/5.20/53.25/4:29.21	
7. Avery Anderson (Unat)	(4269/4) 7692
10.83/7.37/13.41/2.11/48.83/14.25/40.67/4.50/47.22/5:11.53	
8. Chad Smith (Unat)	(3923/13) 7664
10.90/7.20/13.45/1.84/49.83/14.69/42.43/4.90/55.85/4:55.79	

9. Trafton Rodgers (Nat Am Sports Council)	(4217/5) 7369
10. David Pope (Unat)	(3925/12)6186
11. Ricky Barker (Asics)	(4057/6) 6390 (8) *
12. Steve Fritz (Accusplit)	(3701/14) 6060
13. Stephen Moore (Unat)	4355 (3) 5925 (8)
14. Brian Brophy (Olympic Club)	(3964/11) 5176 (7)
15. Brendan Falconer (Indiana Invaders)	3119 (4)
16. Ross Bomben (Unat)	3043 (4)

- - Fritz officially placed 11th as he finished the competition.

The 16 man field was the smallest since 1968, and had been diminished by the late withdrawal of defending champion Dan O'Brien, due to a foot injury. With Chris Huffins and Tom Pappas, O'Brien was expected to make up the US squad. The opened up event saw Huffins take his usual lead, winning both the 100 (10.45) and LJ (7.87). His lead at this point was 155 points over small (5'11/165) springy Stephen Moore. Pappas moved past Moore with his 50'3 1/4" shot, almost a meter ahead of Huffins (47'10 1/4"), but was still 128 points behind Huffins. Moore (7'1 1/2"), Pappas (7'0 1/4") and Huffins (6'11") all jumped well, and Huffins retained a lead of 122 over Pappas after the 400, with Moore another 96 points back. After a close 110h (H: 14.31, P: 1427), Huffins launched the discus out to 164'11" and led by 199, with Moore now 250 behind Pappas. The pole vault, as so often in the past, saw dramatic changes, with Pappas picking up 181 points on Huffins by dint of his 16'8 3/4" - 14'9" margin. Huffins did better than Moore, who missed his attempts at 14'9". Pappas went into the lead for good in the javelin with his 208'2" giving him a margin of 119 over Huffins' 178'4". With the latter now over 550 points ahead of the field the first two places were clearly set. Behind them 176 points covered the next 7, headed by Dan Steele. The best 1500m men amongst this group were Phil McMullen, younger brother of 3:56 miler Paul, and Kip Janvrin, who had placed 8th in the US Junior championships held concurrently with the Trials ... in 1984. Janvrin ran 4:12.01, to jump two places to third, with McMullen beating Steele and Bevan Hart for 4th. Huffins went on to win bronze in Sydney with 8595, 47 points away from gold, while Pappas placed 5th with 8425, and Janvrin, a little below form, placed 21st with 7726

WOMEN

100 Meters - July 15, 17.39 Hr (-1.0w)

1. Marion Jones (Nike)	10.88
2. Inger Miller (Nike)	11.05
3. Chryste Gaines (adidas)	11.13
4. Torri Edwards (Nike)	11.15
5. Gail Devers (Nike)	11.15
6. Nanceen Perry (Mizuno)	11.18
7. Carlette Guidry (adidas)	11.22
8. Passion Richardson (Nike)	11.32

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 15, 15.45/15.50 Hr

<u>1/</u>	1. Jones 10.93, 2. Edwards 11.14, 3. Gaines 11.15, 4. Guidry 11.20, 5. Shakedia Jones (UCLA) 11.32, 6. Angela Williams (SC Cheetahs) 11.33, 7. Brianna Glenn (Az) 11.56, 8. Angela Daigle (SC Cheetahs) 11.64 (-0.4w)
<u>2/</u>	1. Miller 11.10, 2. Devers 11.25, 3. Perry 11.25, 4. Richardson 11.46, 5. Cheryl Taplin (Nike) 11.54, 6. Tonya Carter (Fla St) 11.57, 7. Angela Manuel (Unat) 11.62, 8. Muna Lee (Unat) 11.67 (-1.0w)

Heats - first 3 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, July 14, 17.30-17.50 Hr

<u>1/</u>	1. Jones 10.92, 2. Richardson 11.29, 3. Manuel, 4. LaTasha Jenkins (Nike) 11.46, 5. Michelle Burrell (SMTTC) 11.52, 6. Kelli White (adidas) 11.54, 7. Donica Merriman (Ohio St) 11.66 (-0.2w)
<u>2/</u>	1. Gaines 11.14, 2. Perry 11.20, 3. Carter 11.34, 4. Glenn 11.42, 5. Lakeisha Backus (Unat) 11.47, 6. Miesha McKelvy (Sheff) 11.53, 7. Michelle Brown (Shore AC) 11.55, 8. Kisha Jett (Unat) 11.57 (-0.4w)
<u>3/</u>	1. Devers 10.99, 2. Guidry 11.03, 3. Edwards 11.06, 4. S.Jones 11.25, 5. Lee 11.36, 6. Taplin 11.42, 7. Juan Ball (SC Cheetahs) 11.42, 8. Erica Burrell (Unat) 11.78 (+1.3w)

4/ 1. Miller 11.04, 2. Williams 11.34, 3. Daigle 11.46, 4. Erica Whipple (Fla HS) 11.59, 5. Aleah Williams (Tex) 11.62, 6. Teneeshia Jones (Miss) 11.63, 7. Melissa Barber (S Car) 11.65. Shaunta Pelham (Unat) – Dns (+1.7w)

As the World's #1 for more than 3 years Jones was the prohibitive favorite. Running into headwinds she won her preliminary races in 10.92 and 10.93, with only Devers, riding a following wind of +1.3, joining her under 11.00 with a first round heat win in 10.99. Jones won her semifinal by 2 meters, after drawing clear of the field by 40m. The second semi saw Devers out into the lead from the start, but Miller came on strongly in the second half and won going away in 11.10, with Devers and Perry crossing the line together 1 ½ m back. Devers again was the best out of the blocks in the final, and Jones, out poorly, was in overdrive by halfway. She caught Devers at 60m, and stormed away to win celebrating as she crossed the line, nearly 2m ahead of a fast finishing Miller. Gaines took the final individual Olympic place, just ahead of Edwards (11.146) and Devers (11.149). Had the race been run in the opposite direction Jones would have run in the region of 10.75, a time she achieved in cooler conditions in Sydney, winning the gold medal by a massive 0.37 seconds.

200 Meters - July 23, 17.56 Hr (+0.5w)

5.	1. Marion Jones (Nike)	21.94	(11.1/10.8)
7.	2. Inger Miller (Nike)	22.09	(11.3/10.8)
6.	3. Nanceen Perry (Mizuno)	22.38	(11.4/11.0)
8.	4. Torri Edwards (Nike)	22.68	
2.	5. Latasha Colander-Richardson (Nike)	22.76	
4.	6. Michelle Collins (Nike)	22.80	
3.	7. LaTasha Jenkins (Nike)	22.99	
1.	8. Carlette Guidry (adidas)	23.15	

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 23, 15.40 Hr

1/ 1. Jones 22.08w, 2. Miller 22.40w, 3. Jenkins 22.54w, 4. Colander-Richardson 22.56w, 5. Shakedia Jones (UCLA) 22.57w, 6. Kisha Jett (Unat) 23.15w, 7. Shekera Weston (Clem) 23.67w, Chryste Gaines (adidas)– Dns (+2.3w)
2/ 1. Perry (Tex) 22.52, 2. Collins 22.57, 3. Edwards 22.65, 4. Guidry 23.03, 5. Kinshasa Davis (USC) 23.11, 6. Wyllesheia Myrick (Miami) 23.14, 7. Kelli White (adi) 23.36, 8. Michele Davis (Nev-LV) 23.52 (+1.7w)

Heats - first 2 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 22, 10.51 Hr

1/ 1. Jones 22.62, 2. Perry 22.84, 3. Guidry 23.12, 4. Mikele Barber (S Car) 23.61, 5. Aleah Williams (Tex) 24.15. Angela Williams (SC Cheet) – Dns (-1.2w)
2/ 1. Collins 22.85, 2. Edwards 23.04, 3. Weston 23.38, 4. M.Davis 23.47, 5. Clena Mondie-Milner (Unat) 23.55, 6. Demetria Washington (S Car) 23.65 (-0.9w)
3/ 1. Colander-Richardson 23.29, 2. Myrick 23.35, 3. Gaines 23.52, 4. Flirtisha Harris (Unat), 5. Melisa Barber (S Car) 24.07. Cheryl Taplin (Nike) – Dns (-1.1w)
4/ 1. K.Davis 23.12, 2. Jenkins 23.14, 3. Jett 23.36, 4. Andrea Anderson (Unat) 23.60, 5. Tania Woods (Unat) 24.13. Teneeshia Jones (Miss) – Dns (-0.7w)
5/ 1. Miller 23.13, 2. S.Jones 23.13, 3. White 23.40, 4. Juan Ball (SC Cheet) 23.71, 5. Michele Burrell (SMTC) 24.12. Shaunta Pelham (Unat) - Dns (-0.6w)

Jones was, to no-one's surprise, the fastest in the preliminary rounds. In the final Jones worked hard throughout the first 100m, and came off the curve 2 meters clear of Miller, with Perry another meter back. Down the straight Miller gained perhaps half a meter, pushing Jones to a clocking of 21.94 - the fastest time of the year prior to the Olympics. Miller's 22.09 was the second best time of her career, but a hamstringing injury in September put paid to any challenge to Jones, who won Olympic gold in 21.84. Perry was third – some 3m clear of Edwards – both of whom were eliminated in the Sydney semifinals.

400 Meters - July 16, 14.35 Hr

7.	1. Latasha Colander-Richardson (Nike)	49.87	12.3/23.7/35.9
5.	2. Jearl Miles-Clark (Reebok)	50.23	12.5/24.2/36.4
4.	3. Michelle Collins (Nike)	50.29	12.3/23.5/35.7
3.	4. Monique Hennagan (adidas)	50.82	12.5/24.0/36.6
8.	5. Mikele Barber (S Car)	51.17	12.5/24.1/36.8
1.	6. Andrea Anderson (Unat)	51.32	12.2/23.4/36.0
6.	7. Maicel Malone-Wallace (New Bal)	51.39	12.5/24.0/36.6
2.	8. Monique Henderson (Unat)	51.79	12.6/24.3/37.1

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 15, 17.05/17.14 Hr

1/ 1. Collins 50.37, 2. Malone-Wallace 51.06, 3. Anderson 51.18, 4. Henderson 51.24, 5. Youlanda Warren (Unat) 51.35, 6. Celena Mondie-Milner (Unat) 51.98, 7. Demetria Washington (S Car) 52.10, 8. Linetta Wilson (Unat) 52.54
2/ 1. Colander-Richardson 50.59, 2. Miles-Clark 50.85, 3. Barber 51.04, 4. Hennagan 51.23, 5. Suziann Reid (adi) 51.44, 6. Flirtisha Harris (Unat) 52.64, 7. Shanelle Porter (Team Q) 52.71. Kim Graham (Unat) - Dns

Heats - first 3 plus 4 fastest losers qualify, July 14, 19.30-19.55 Hr

- 1/ 1. Miles-Clark 51.00, 2. Hennagan 51.24, 3. Warren 51.65, 4. Reid 51.95, 5. Wilson 52.26
2/ 1. Collins 51.15, 2. Porter 52.26, 3. Graham 53.41, 4. Donna Howard (Unat) 53.61, 5. Angel Perkins (Cal HS) 54.23, 6. Saidah Jones (Md Elite) 57.07
3/ 1. Anderson 51.51, 2. Malone-Wallace 51.55, 3. Colander-Richardson 51.57, 4. Mondie-Milner 52.35, 5. Michele Davis (Nev-LV) 52.87, 6. Julian Reynolds (Nike) 53.96
4/ 1. Barber 51.56, 2. Henderson 51.77, 3. Washington 51.96, 4. Harris 52.50, 5. Carolyn Jackson (Az) 53.18, 6. Stella Klassen (Neb) 53.72

Miles-Clark and Collins were favorites to win before the meet, while HSer Henderson and Colander-Richardson, who had improved to 50.56 during 2000 with no experience in the event prior to the Olympic year, were perhaps the most intriguing competitors for observers. One of the Olympic possibles, Kim Graham failed to turn out for her semifinal. Collins looked to be the probable winner of the final, after dominating her semi, powering away from the field in the second curve to win by 5m from '96 Trials winner Malone-Wallace, with Henderson, the 17 year old schoolgirl from California, taking the last qualifying spot. Colander-Richardson took the lead with 100m to go in the other semi, with Miles-Clark, like Wallace an OT finalist as far back as 1988, overtaking Mikele Barber on the run-in. Hennagan beat out 2-time NCAA winner Reid for 4th. Colander-Richardson and Collins were out fastest, and Collins moved into a 2m lead by halfway. She held this lead through 300m, and was caught by Colander-Richardson with 50m to go. Miles-Clark passed the struggling Collins just before the finish, with Colander-Richardson winning by 3m. Miles-Clark placed 2nd for the third consecutive time in the Trials. However, she concentrated on the 800m for Sydney, letting in Hennagan (an isolated 4th in 50.82) to the OG individual squad. Collins suffered a stress fracture in Sydney, leaving Miles-Clark, Hennagan and Colander-Richardson to team up with Marion Jones to win the 4x400m (with Andrea Anderson also receiving a gold medal after running in the heats).

800 Meters - July 23, 16.48 Hr

1. Hazel Clark (Nike)	1:58.97	28.6/58.9/1:29.5
2. Jearl Miles-Clark (Reebok)	1:59.12	28.4/59.0/1:29.4
3. Joetta Clark-Diggs (Nike)	1:59.49	28.9/59.6/1:30.2
4. Meredith Rainey-Valmon (Reebok)	1:59.50	28.3/59.0/1:29.6
5. Amy Ross-Schroer (US Army)	2:01.01	28.8/59.3/1:30.1
6. Mary Jane Harrelson (Unat)	2:02.35	28.9/59.3/1:30.6
7. Elizabeth Diaz (Unat)	2:03.44	28.5/59.2/1:30.5
8. Michelle Ave (Asics)	2:05.62	28.7/59.1/1:30.5

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 21, 20.15/20.25 Hr

- 1/ 1. Clark 2:01.58, 2. Ave 2:02.28, 3. Ross-Schroer 2:02.63, 4. Harrelson 2:02.65, 5. Jennifer Toomey (Reeb) 2:03.81, 6. Priscilla Hein (Unat) 2:05.44, 7. Miesha Marzell (Fila) 2:05.86, 8. Alisa Harvey (Unat) 2:12.17 (58.24/63.34)
2/ 1. Miles-Clark 2:02.80, 2. Rainey-Valmon 2:02.92, 3. Clark-Diggs 2:03.03, 4. Diaz 2:03.28, 5. Debbie Grant (N Bal) 2:04.24, 6. Stephanie Best (Asics) 2:04.25, 7. Nicole Teter (Sac TC) 2:04.30, 8. Amy Wickus (Nike) 2:05.13 (62.8/60.0)

Heats - first 2 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 20, 20:35-20:55 Hr

- 1/ 1. Hein 2:04.87, 2. Teter 2:04.90, 3. Ashley Wysong (Missouri) 2:04.97, 4. Jennifer Peck (Unat) 2:05.77, 5. Melanie Steere (BYU) 2:06.53, 6. Julian Reynolds (Nike) 2:11.48. Kristin Mainwaring (Unat) - Dns
2/ 1. Clark-Diggs 2:02.18, 2. Diaz 2:02.22, 3. Ross-Schroer 2:03.08, 4. Wickus 2:03.82, 5. Linetta Wilson (Unat) 2:04.65, 6. Kim Voyticky (Unat) 2:04.91, 7. Melissa Smith-Richards (Laker TC) 2:07.20
3/ 1. Av 2:03.83, 2. Toomey 2:04.61, 3. Kim Cornelius (Fila) 2:04.73, 4. Chantee Earl (Unat) 2:05.40, 5. Janet Trujillo (Nike) 2:06.09, 6. Christine Gentile (Unat) 2:06.72, 7. Alishia Booterbaugh (Wash St) 2:07.10, 8. Elizabeth Cranston (Unat) 2:07.70
4/ 1. Rainey-Valmon 2:02.96, 2. Marzell 2:03.17, 3. Shaquandra Roberson (Rice) 2:04.76, 4. Tamiaka Grizzle (Fla) 2:05.35, 5. Sasha Spencer (G'twn) 2:06.00, 7. Katrina DeBoer (G'twn) 2:11.13, 8. Becky Megesi (Ga T) 2:12.85
5/ 1. Clark 2:01.78, 2. Miles-Clark 2:02.07, 3. Best 2:02.96, 4. Harrelson 2:02.97, 5. Grant 2:04.18, 6. Harvey 2:04.62, 7. Hope Saunders (Ind Inv) 2:04.76

Regina Jacobs opted to go for a 1500/5000 double, so Miles-Clark, Hazel Clark and Valmon-Rainey seemed the obvious choices for Sydney. All the favorites went through the two preliminary rounds without mishap, and 2:03.28 was sufficient to get to the final. Rainey-Valmon, always a positive runner, took the lead from the gun, and passed 200 in 28.3. Just before the bell, Hazel Clark moved into the lead (58.93), as 5 yards covered the eight with older sister Joetta at the back of the field. Rainey-Valmon, Clark and Miles-Clark began to move away from the field, and at 600m these 3 were 4m clear. Clark and her sister in-law battled the last 100m with the younger woman winning out by a meter at the finish. Behind them Rainey-Valmon was still 4m clear of veteran Joetta Clark, but Clark ran the last 100m in 14.3, catching Rainey-Valmon on the line to make the US team by 1/100th of a second. Not surprisingly, the big story was that all 3 athletes were related, though Joetta Clark's 4th Olympic berth at her 6th attempt over 20 years was at least as meritorious. Younger sister Hazel improved her PR to 1:58.75 at the Games, placing 7th.

1500 Meters - July 16, 14.05 Hr

1. Regina Jacobs (Mizuno)	4:01.01	66.8/67.1/64.8/42.3
2. Suzy Favor-Hamilton (Nike)	4:01.81	66.7/67.1/64.9/43.1
3. Marla Runyan (Asics)	4:06.44	67.1/67.5/65.7/46.1
4. Shayne Culpepper (adidas)	4:08.38	67.1/67.2/65.7/48.4
5. Mary Jane Harrelson (Unat)	4:08.76	66.6/67.2/66.4/48.6
6. Debbie Grant (New Bal)	4:11.88	66.7/68.0/69.1/50.9
7. Colette Liss (Ind Inv)	4:13.45	
8. Karen Candaele (adidas)	4:14.71	
9. Jamie King (Unat) 4:16.14, 10. Jenelle Deatherage (Wisc RR) 4:16.54, 11. Susan Taylor (BYU) 4:17.28, 12. Stephanie Best (Asics) 4:24.50		

Heats - first 2 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 14, 18.30-50 Hr

- 1/ 1. Jacobs 4:06.16, 2. Runyan 4:09.68, 3. Grant 4:11.00, 4. Best 4:12.12, 5. Amy Wickus (Nike) 4:14.97, 6. Sonja Friend-Uhl (Asics) 4:15.44, 7. Shaquandra Roberson (Rice) 4:16.86, 8. Rebecca Wilmes (Unat) 4:20.51, 9. Rebecca Trujillo (Nike) 4:21.73, 10. Rebecca Spies-Swain (New Bal) 4:25.75, 11. Stefanie Pesch (Wisc) 4:31.21, 12. Amy Lyman (Bos AA) 4:41.71. Fran ten Bensel (New Bal) - Dns
- 2/ 1. Favor-Hamilton 4:10.29, 2. Harrelson 4:12.11, 3. Taylor 4:12.53, 4. Candaele 4:13.28, 5. Deatherage 4:13.49, 6. King 4:13.52, 7. Kathy Fleming (New Bal) 4:14.26, 8. Mary Cobb (Unat) 4:17.33, 9. Melissa Teemant (BYU) 4:17.73, 10. Christine Gentile (Unat) 4:20.02, 11. Joan Nesbit-Mabe (New Bal) 4:20.18, 12. Juli Henner (Reeb) 4:24.77, 13. Jennifer Peck (Unat) 4:31.43
- 3/ 1. Culpepper 4:10.38, 2. Liss 4:11.90, 3. Suzanne Jones (Unat) 4:16.36, 4. Alisa Harvey (Unat) 4:16.41, 5. Kristin Maiwaring (Unat) 4:17.11, 6. Priscilla Hein (Unat) 4:20.24, 7. Kim McGreevy (NYAC) 4:21.61, 8. Lindsay Nadauld (BYU) 4:24.72, 9. sally Glynn (Stan) 4:25.16, 10. Becki Wells (Unat) 4:59.48. Jennifer Toomey (Reeb) - Dnf, Sarah Thorsett (Nike) - Dns.

Favor-Hamilton and Jacobs were clear favorites – but which would win. Favor-Hamilton had just lost a titanic duel with Romania’s Gabriela Szabo in Eugene, while Jacobs had been the outstanding US track athlete during the 2000 indoor season. Both won their heats using big kicks (Jacobs 60.5, F-H 61.8). In the final the two followed Colette Liss’s pace of 65.5 and 2:12.8. The duo struck out in the third lap, and reached the bell together in 3:03.65. Running the next 100 in 15.0 saw them take an 8m advantage over the field, and Jacobs upped the ante with the next 100 covered in 14.3. Favor-Hamilton was now 2m back, and that built up to 5m as Jacobs ran her last 200 in 28.1. Behind them Marla Runyan overcame an injury suffered 2 months earlier to finish 10m clear of Culpepper and Harrelson. The unlucky Jacobs had to forego the Olympics with a respiratory condition, and Runyan was the best placed American in 8th after Favor-Hamilton (in 5th place) fell with 80m to go.

5000 Meters - July 21, 21.20 Hr

1. Regina Jacobs (Nike)	14:45.35	2:57.2/5:54.8/8:59.7/12:00.4
2. Deena Drossin (Reebok)	15:11.55	2:57.1/5:54.6/8:59.5/12:03.0
3. Elva Dryer (Nike)	15:12.07	
4. Amy Rudolph (Unat)	15:21.16	
5. Anne Marie Lauck (Nike)	15:23.71	
6. Clare Taylor (Asics)	15:30.44	
7. Shayne Culpepper (adidas)	15:31.49	
8. Kara Wheeler (Col)	15:34.47	
9. Kristin Ihle (Nike) 15:35.28, 10. Annette Peters (Nike) 15:37.99, 11. Blake Russell (New Bal) 15:48.12, 12. Colette Liss (Ind Inv) 15:49.85, 13. Kristin Beaney (Reeb) 15:55.14, 14. Jenny Crain (adidas) 16:00.85, 15. Carrie Tollefson (adidas) 16:02.28, 16. Kate Fonshell (Asics) 16:11.95		

Heats - first 4 plus 8 fastest losers qualify, July 20, 20.45/21.05 Hr

- 1/ 1. Jacobs 15:36.09, 2. Dryer 15:36.89, 3. Drossin 15:37.52, 4. Wheeler 15:38.50, 5. Taylor 15:43.02, 6. Lauck 15:44.81, 7. Fonshell 15:46.44, 8. Tollefson 15:51.55, 9. Liss 15:53.49, 10. Nicole Jefferson (Nike) 15:55.78, 11. Cheri Kenah (adi) 15:58.72, 12. Milena Glusac (adi) 16:01.87, 13. Jessica Dailey (Ark) 16:03.84, 14. Carmen Ayala-Troncos (Nike) 16:05.68, 15. Alisa Rodgers (Asics) 16:06.01, 16. Donna Garcia (Reeb) 16:09.72, 17. Katie Courtwright (Nike) 16:13.50, 18. Sally Glynn (Stan) 16:27.80. Michelle Borgert (Asics), Amy Skieresz (Nike), Melody Fairchild (Nike), Libbie Hickman (Nike), Rachel Sauder (Asics) and Laura Baker (New Bal) – Dns (3:11.63/6:24.53/9:38.20/12:45.15)
- 2/ 1. Rudolph 15:37.65, 2. Culpepper 15:39.54, 3. Russell 15:40.82, 4. Beaney 15:41.58, 5. Peters 15:42.05, 6. Ihle 15:45.28, 7. Crain 15:49.71, 8. Amy Yoder (Ark) 15:55.14, 9. Molly Watcke (New Bal) 15:57.40, 10. Erica Palmer (Wisc) 16:00.69, 11. Gina Procaccio (Unat) 16:10.24, 12. Marty Hernandez (BYU) 16:21.27, 13. Kelly McDonald (Az St) 16:22.09, 14. Kathy Fleming (New Bal) 16:29.76, 15. Lauren Fleshman (Stan) 16:35.90, 16. Cathy Vasto (Asics) 16:39.91. Shelly Steely (Asics), Marla Runyan (Asics), Jen Rhines (adi), Kelly Cordell (Asics), Tara Chaplin (Az), Maribel Sanchez (Reeb), Kim Fitchen (Nike) and Leigh Daniel (Tex T) – Dns (3:13.89/6:21.79/9:31.0/12:41.1)

“I owe my American record to the lady sitting next to me. She really made the race.” Regina Jacobs was referring to Deena Drossin, who, after a 75.5 second first lap, took over the pacemaking duties to try and impose herself on Jacobs and the remainder of the field. After a 66.7 second lap only Jacobs could stay with Drossin. Behind them a two woman battle between Elva Dryer and Amy Rudolph evolved for third place. Up ahead Drossin operated at sub 15 minute pace through 3 kilometers (8:59.47) and the pace only began to ease in the 4th kilometer with laps in the 74 second region (15:25 pace). Jacobs then struck, and roared away from Drossin, eventually gaining over 25 seconds in the last 3 laps, running her last 800 in 2:11.9. Drossin held on to second place, though her last lap of 72.4 lost 7.1 seconds to Dryer who almost caught her at the finish. With Jacobs, a potential gold medallist, out with a breathing problem, and with Drossin running only her principal event (the 10000), the remaining US places were taken by 4th and 5th placers Amy Rudolph and Anne Marie Lauck.

10000 Meters - July 14, 21.25 Hr

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| 1. Deena Drossin (Reebok) | 31:51.05 |
| 2. Jen Rhines (adidas) | 31:58.34 |
| 3. Libbie Hickman (Nike) | 31:58.68 |
| 4. Anne Marie Lauck (Nike) | 32:01.86 |
| 5. Annette Peters (Asics) | 32:09.49 |
| 6. Sylvia Mosqueda (Unat) | 32:18.36 |
| 7. Blake Russell (New Bal) | 32:20.26 |
| 8. Kristin Beaney (Reebok) | 32:22.72 |
9. Kim Fitchen (Nike) 32:41.08, 10. Jennifer Crain (adi) 32:44.70, 11. Natalie Nalepa (New Bal) 32:45.36, 12. Erica Palmer (Wise) 32:50.29, 13. Katie McGregor (adi) 33:10.14, 14. Kate Fonshell (Asics) 33:30.99, 15. Donna Garcia (Reeb) 33:36.98, 16. Rachel Sauder (Asics) 33:40.39, 17. Laura Baker (New Bal) 33:40.87, 18. Marty Shue (Reeb) 34:11.46, 19. Melody Fairchild (Nike) 34:12.48, 20. Marty Hernandez (BYU) 34:15.18, 21. Michelle Borgert (Asics) 34:25.92, 22. Tara Chaplin (Az) 34:38.28, 23. Lynn Fitzsimmons (Unat) 35:40.97. Shelly Steely (Asics) – Dnf, Leigh Daniel (Tex T) and Christine McNamara (Unat) - Dns

The form chart for the race, as predicted by Jack Pfeifer for Track and Field News was Drossin-Hickman-Rhines. Kim Fitchen led the final early on, and was occasionally overtaken by Peters and Nalepa, but it was Fitchen who led through halfway in 16:09.46. The pace continued at this level to 8km (25:55.2), with 9 runners still together. The lead switched between Rhines, Peters and Nalepa for the next lap, and then Drossin struck. Increasing the pace from 78 seconds to 70.9 broke the field up, and her 23rd lap of 66.6 took her well clear of Hickman, with Rhines and Lauck 15m behind Hickman. Rhines closed Hickman down on the last lap and took second courtesy of a 67.0 circuit (Hickman ran 70.0). All three were delighted – Drossin claiming that “it was an overwhelming night for me. It would have been a victory if I would have finished first, second or third”. With 12 under 33 minutes, this was the best domestic 10k ever (11 under 33 in the 1988 FOT)

20 Kilometer Walk - July 16, 08.00 Hr

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| 1. Michelle Rohl (Unat) | 1:32:39 |
| 2. Yueling Chen (Unat) | 1:33:40 |
| 3. Debbi Lawrence (Nike) | 1:33:48 |
| 4. Joanne Dow (adi) | 1:36:17 |
| 5. Sara Stevenson (Olivet Nazarene) | 1:37:36 |
| 6. Sara Stanley (Unat) | 1:38:38 |
| 7. Jill Zenner (Miami Valley TC) | 1:38:54 |
| 8. Danielle Kirk (Scal Racewalkers) | 1:40:49 |

23 Finishers - 1 Dnf

The question mark was Chen, who had won Gold 8 years earlier for China, emigrated to the US in 1993, and did not compete again until 1999 (1:38:17). Chen showed she was a contender by sharing the lead with Michelle Rohl until half distance. Rohl then broke away, and surging at 12km, went well clear. She won by over a minute, with Lawrence closing on Chen to take the final Olympic spot by almost 2 ½ minutes. Rohl, a passionate proponent of her sport, claimed a Sydney top-10 spot as her target, but placed 17th in the Games with a respectable 1:34:26.

Marathon - Columbia South Carolina, February 26, 09.00 Hr

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| 1. Christine Clark (Alaska Team Raven) | 2:33:31 |
| 2. Kristy Johnston (Nike) | 2:35:36 |
| 3. Anne Marie Lauck (Nike) | 2:36:06 |
| 4. Susannah Beck (Motor City) | 2:36:46 |
| 5. Liz Wilson (New Bal) | 2:37:27 |
| 6. Anne Schaefer-Cole (Chicago TC) | 2:38:47 |

7. Kim Pawelek (New Bal)	2:39:16
8. Libbie Hickman (Nike)	2:39:57
9. Joan Samuelson (Nike)	2:39:59
10. Jennifer Tonkin (Wash)	2:40:31

141 finished, 20th - 2:43:52, 30th - 2:47:03, 29 failed to finish

1996 had seen 50 run 2:46:17, a time which 27 would manage this time. Rather than a deterioration in standards this was more due to the unseasonably warm weather, which saw the temperature at the start of 500 increase all the way up to 86. Not too surprisingly the "A" standard of 2:33 would remain unreachable. Anne Marie Lauck took the lead after 5km and went clear, passing halfway in 1:15:30, but she began to suffer just before 20 miles, which was when Clark caught her. The Alaskan resident, who had trained specifically for warmer conditions, steadily drew away and won by nearly 2 ½ minutes from Kristy Johnson. Lauck managed to hold on for third place, which was academic in Olympic terms, because Clark's PR winning time missed the standard – leaving her as the only Sydney representative. Clark again ran a PR – this time 2:31:35 in 19th place.

100 Meters Hurdles - July 23, 17.12 Hr (-0.3w)

1. 4. Gail Devers (Nike)	12.33
2. 3. Melissa Morrison (Reebok)	12.63
3. 1. Sharon Jewell (adidas)	12.69
4. 6. Ellakisha Williamson (S Car)	12.81
5. 5. Joanna Hayes (Unat)	12.87
6. 8. Tonya Lawson (Fila)	12.94
7. 7. Jenny Adams (Houston)	12.98
8. 2. Bisa Grant (Unat)	13.04

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 23, 15.00 Hr

- 1/ 1. Morrison 12.57, 2. Hayes 12.67, 3. Jewell 12.68, 4. Lawson 12.77, 5. Miesha McKelvy (Sheff Elite) 12.78, 6. Angie Vaughn (adi) 12.83, 7. Nicole Harrison (Unat) 12.92, 8. Monifa Taylor (Unat) 13.03, 9. Donica Merriman (Oh St) 13.54 (+1.3w)
- 2/ 1. Devers 12.45w, 2. Williamson 12.89w, 3. Adams 12.90w, 4. Grant 12.95w, 5. Valerie Manning (USAF) 13.01w, 6. Cheryl Dickey (Nike) 13.06, 7. Andria King (Reeb) 13.23w. Anjanette Kirkland (Nike) – Dnf (+2.3w)

Heats - first 2 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 22, 09.45 Hr

- 1/ 1. Grant 13.24, 2. Vaughn 13.40, 3. Tonya Lawson (Fila) 13.53, 4. Brandit Copper (Ala) 13.59, 5. Joyce Bates (LSU) 13.68, 6. Michelle Perry (UCLA) 13.72, 7. Tamika Higgins-Francis (NTI Global) 13.87 (-1.0w)
- 2/ 1. Kirkland 13.07, 2. Williamson 13.27, 3. Taylor 13.42, 4. Adams 13.42, 5. Felicia Stone (SD St) 13.42, 6. Michelle Johnson (Unat) 13.69, 7. Chitua Ohaeri (Tex A&M) 14.41 (-0.8w)
- 3/ 1. Devers 12.57, 2. Manning 13.31, 3. King 13.32, 4. Harrison 13.35, 5. Dominique Calloway (Oh St) 13.43, 6. Yolanda McCray (Unat) 13.47, 7. Dawn Riley (Nike) 13.49 (-1.1w)
- 4/ 1. Morrison 12.83, 2. Merriman 13.11, 3. Hayes 13.12, 4. Lutisha Shittu (Ncar) 13.57, 5. Nicole Denby (SC Cheet) 13.62, 6. Nicole Hoxie (Tex) 13.69, 7. Nakeshia Jackson-Lever (Ala) 13.93 (-1.2w)
- 5/ 1. McKelvy 13.00, 2. Jewell 13.00, 3. Dickey 13.23, 4. Selena Lewis (Unat) 13.50, 5. Kyla Shoemake (Ark) 13.60. Jacqueline Madison (Scar) and ikki Bouyer (Az) – Dns. (-0.4w)

The World champion looked a class apart throughout the event. A 12.57 into a 1.1 wind was more than a quarter of a second quicker than anyone else in the first round, and improved to 12.45w in her semifinal, winning the race by over 4 meters. Behind her Ellakisha Williamson led a throng of 5 between 12.89 and 13.06, though Anjanette Kirkland, one of those favored to make the team, fell at the third hurdle. In the other race Morrison ran 12.57, and the next six – all under 13 seconds – ran PRs, with Joanna Hayes and Sharon Jewell ducking under 12.70. In the final Devers flew out of the blocks and drew steadily away from Morrison to win in 12.33, a new US record, which moved her up one notch on the all-time list (from 5th to 4th). She hit the 9th barrier and faced a slight headwind, leading to speculation of a time approaching the WR of 12.21 in perfect conditions. Morrison held off Jewell for second place after Lawson had been level with her for the first half of the race. Devers suffered a hamstring injury in her Sydney semifinal, continuing her Olympics hurdles jinx, and Morrison was the best placed American, with a bronze medal.

400 Meters Hurdles - July 17, 20.35 Hr

7. 1. Sandra Glover (Nike)	53.33
4. 2. Kim Batten (Unat)	54.70
6. 3. Tonja Buford-Bailey (Nike)	54.80
3. 4. Joanna Hayes (Unat)	54.97
5. 5. Michelle Johnson (Unat)	55.63
1. 6. Yvonne Harrison (Fila)	55.67
8. 7. Nikki Bouyer (Ala)	56.52

Semifinals - first 4 qualify, July 16, 13.40 Hr

- 1/ 1. Glover 53.87, 2. Batten 55.07, 3. Hayes 55.32, 4. Williams-Davis 55.56, 4. Ryan Tolbert (Unat) 55.57, 6. Melinda Sallins (Mizuno) 57.34, 7. LaTanya Sheffield (Sheff Elite) 57.40, 8. Frances Santin (CSN) 58.58
- 2/ 1. Buford-Bailey 55.30, 2. Johnson 55.46, 3. Harrison 55.59, 4. Bouyer 56.01, 5. Natasha Reynolds (Unat) 56.51, 6. Brenda Taylor (Harv) 57.85, 7. Tanisha Mills (Unat) 58.01, 8. Dominique Calloway (Oh St) 58.53

Heats - first 2 plus 6 fastest losers qualify, July 15, 18.05 Hr

- 1/ 1. Hayes 55.50, 2. Bouyer 56.18, 3. Reynolds 56.39, 4. Taylor 56.64, 5. Santin 56.67, 6. Julie Bennion-Murdock (Unat) 57.10
- 2/ 1. Harrison 56.05, 2. Calloway 56.83, 3. Mills 56.86, 4. Sandra Farmer-Patrick (Nike) 57.84, 5. Nicole Thomas (Az) 59.66
- 3/ 1. Johnson 55.31, 2. Batten 56.17, 3. Sallins 56.36, 4. Randi Smith (Wa St) 58.54, 5. Holly Gibbons (BYU) 59.66
- 4/ 1. Glover 55.40, 2. Sheffield 56.83, 3. Sheena Johnson (Va HS) 57.35, 4. Michelle Perry (UCLA) 57.71, 5. Eusheka Bartley (Unat) 59.15
- 5/ 1. Buford-Bailey 55.64, 2. Williams-Davis 55.84, 3. Tolbert 56.83, 4. Le'Gretta Smith (Ind Inv) 57.76, 5. Natalie Gibson (SC Cheet) 58.99

Glover, Michelle Johnson and '96 Olympian Buford-Bailey were favored to make the team. Five athletes ducked under 56 seconds in the heats with Johnson quickest with 55.31. Glover, the fastest American before the Trials, showed why, with a smooth display in her semifinal, winning by more than 10m in 53.87. Behind her Kim Batten, injured in 1999 and very much under wraps, qualified easily with the second fastest time of the round. Batten led the final early on, but Glover took over at the sixth hurdle, and repeated her semifinal margin of 10 meters plus, as Batten hung on for second just ahead of Buford-Bailey. Hayes placed 4th, after Michelle Johnson smacked the last hurdle when in contention for an Olympic berth.

High Jump - July 16, 12.15 Hr

		1.80	1.85	1.90	1.93	1.96
1. Karol Damon (Unat)	6'4" (1.93)	o	o	o	xo	xxx
2. Erin Aldrich (Texas)	6'4" (1.93)	o	o	xxo	xo	xxx
3. Amy Acuff (New Bal)	6'2 3/4" (1.90)	o	o	o	xxx	
4. Tisha Waller (Goldwin)	6'2 3/4" (1.90)	o	o	o	xxx	
5. Angela Spangler (Asics)	6'0 3/4" (1.85)	xo	o	xxx		
6. Stacy-Ann Grant (Unat)	6'0 3/4" (1.85)	xo	xxo	xxx		
7. Lynn Houston (Unat)	5'10 3/4" (1.80)	o	xxx			
7. Jenny Engelhardt (Notre Dame)	5'10 3/4" (1.80)	o	xxx			
7. Gwen Wentland (Nike)	5'10 3/4" (1.80)	o	xxx			

10 Tayyiba Haneef (LB St) 5'10 3/4" (1.80), 11. Carri Long (Pur) 5'10 3/4" (1.80). Vanessa Jones (Md) and Adriane Sims (St Aug) – NH// Qualifying: July 12, 12.20 Hr: All finalists cleared 5'10 3/4" (1.80). Non-qualifiers (all no heights (1.80)): Jeana Bingham (BYU), Carrie Braness (Neb), Robyn Burkhardt (Tex A&M), Darnesha Griffith (UCLA), Ifoma Jones (Hous), Nakeitra Jones (Aub), Latifah Long (Ga), Nicole McClain (Gar-Webb), Lisa Riech (Beach TC), Jessica Thompson (Neb), Tamika Toppin (Conn).

A very open event saw 1996 4th placer Damon (Jenkins back in '96) win on fewer failures from Aldrich, with '96 Trials winner Waller losing on countback to Amy Acuff for the 3rd spot. With the bar moving up 5cm until 1.90 the field was quickly shredded down to 4 jumpers. Damon and Aldrich made 1.93 to seal the first two places. And after they missed at 1.96, Acuff and Waller were back on stage, jumping off for the third spot. Acuff, who couldn't watch Waller jump, "I didn't want to wish her to miss", cleared 1.91 after both missed at 1.93 and third place was hers.

Pole Vault - July 23, 15.00-16.30 Hr

		4.03	4.18	4.33	4.43	4.53	4.63	4.70
1. Stacy Dragila (Reebok)	15'2 1/4" (4.63)	p	o	o	o	xo	o	xxx
2. Kellie Suttle (Nike)	14'6 1/4" (4.43)	o	o	xo	xxo	xxx		
3. Melissa Mueller (Nike)	14'2 1/2" (4.33)	o	o	o	xxx			
4. Mary Sauer (Asics)	14'2 1/2" (4.33)	o	o	xxo	xxx			
5. Alexa Harz (Unat)	13'8 1/2" (4.18)	o	xo	xxx				
6. Alicia Warlick (SMTC)	13'8 1/2" (4.18)	o	xxo	xxx				
6. Tracy O'Hara (UCLA)	13'8 1/2" (4.18)	o	xxo	xxx				
8. Melissa Price (Fresno St)	13'8 1/2" (4.18)	xxo	xxo	xxx				

9. Erin Anderson (KansSt) 13'2 1/2" (4.03), =10. Paula Serrano (Unat) and Shannon Gallagher (Unat) 13'2 1/2" (4.03), =12. Aimee Crabtree (Unat) and Lesa Kubishta (Star TC) 13'2 1/2" (4.03). Jill Wittenwyler (Nike), Shannon Pierson (Sac TC) and Kristin Quackenbush (Unat) - NH

Qualifying: 21 July, 14.00 Hr – All finalists cleared 13'2 1/4" (4.02). The following no heighted: - Jennifer Ashcroft (Nev-Reno), Shae Bair (Ut St), Kim Becker (Reeb), Andrea Branson (Kans), Tracy Carrington (Unat), Dena Dial (OR), Kathleen Donoghue (Stan), Meredith Garner (ACU), Erica Hoernig (UCLA), Jennifer Hoffer (Pr Str), Becky Jackson (BYU), Amy Linnen (Unat), Maria Lopez (Cal), Stacy Manuel (Alt-w/att), Andrea Neary (Az), Nikki Plant (MF Ath), Nicole Reed (Or), Jillian Schwartz (Duke), Samantha Shepard (Air

Ath), Heather Sickler (UCLA), Jennifer Swanson (Cal-Davis), Andrea Wildrick (Lib)

Dragila, the WR holder and World Champion both indoors and outdoors was the prohibitive favorite. Her tendency to falter at lower heights went by the board on this occasion, and of the 3 other jumpers attempting 4.43, only Mel Mueller had a clean slate. Dragila went over first time, and Suttle cleared at her final attempt. Muller took third on countback ahead of Sauer. Dragila had her first miss of the day at 4.53, but cleared on her second jump, and then went over the WR height first time without touching the bar, before missing at 4.70. Dragila showed her competitive strength, taking gold in Sydney with 15'1" (4.60), despite being in 2nd place before the winning height.

Long Jump - July 16, 12.00 Hr

1. Marion Jones (Nike)	23'0 ½"	(7.02)	+1.9
2. Dawn Burrell (US Army)	22'10 ½"w	(6.97)	+2.6
3. Shana Williams (Nike)	22'6 ½"w	(6.87)	+2.8
4. Meosha Hubbard (Life U)	22'5 ¼"w	(6.84)	+2.7
5. Pam Simpson (Unat)	21'11 ½"	(6.69)	+1.9
6. Jackie Joyner-Kersey (Honda TC)	21'10 ¾"	(6.67)	+1.3
7. Adrien Sawyer (Nike)	21'7 ½"	(6.59)	+1.1
8. Jenny Adams (Hous)	21'2 ½"w	(6.46)	+2.1

9. Grace Upshaw (Unat) 20'11 ¼" (6.38)/+1.7, Marieke Miller (HIS) 20'10" (6.35)/+1.9, 11. Brianna Glenn (Az) 20'7 ¾"w (6.29)/+2.4, LaShonda Christopher (Unat) – 3 fouls/// Qualifying: July 15, 17.45 Hr, 21'8"/6.60 or top-12 – Burrell 21'8" (6.60)/+1.0, Hubbard 21'7 ½" (6.59)/+0.9, Williams 21'7 ½" (6.59)/+1.4, Adams 21'7 ¼" (6.58)/+0.9, Jones 21'6 ¾" (6.57)/+1.6, Sawyer 21'1 ¼" 6.43)/+0.6, Miller 21'0 ¾" (6.42)/+0.6, Joyner-Kersey 21'0 ¾" (6.42)/+1.2, Christopher 20'9 ¾" (6.34)/+1.2, Upshaw 20'9 ¼"(6.33)/+0.3, Simpson 20'9" (6.32)/+1.1, Glenn 20'8" (6.30)-1.1. Non-Qualifiers: Tasha Malone (Ga) 20'7 ¾" (6.29)/+1.1, Vonetta Jeffery (Unat) 20'7" (6.27), Tiffany Greer (Az St) 20'5 ¾" (6.24), Tongula Givens (Unat) 20'4 ¼" (6.20), Ola Sesay (N Car) 20'3 ¾" (6.19), Antonette Wilks (Unat) 20'3 ¾" (6.19), Dalhia Ingram (Neb) 20'0 ½" (6.11), Yuan Hunt (Unat) 19'9 ¾" (6.04), Brandi Bentley (Mich) 19'9" (6.02), Jernae Wright (Fla) 19'9" (6.02). Tisha Parker (Miss) 19'8 ¾" (6.01), Ychlidria Spears (Unat) 19'2" (5.84), Elisha Williams (Ms St) 19'0 ¾" (5.81), Nikita Lewis (Slip Rock) 18'11 ¼" (5.77), Angie Brown (Met-Rx) – Dns

The two stories of the long jump were whether Marion Jones would win this event in her continuing bid to win 5 golds in Sydney, and how would Jackie Joyner Kersee do in her one-off comeback. JJK commented – “what motivated me to come here and jump was just the simple excitement of the Olympic Trials”. Shana Williams led the final after round 1, with 22'3 ¾" (6.80), and was threatened in round 2 by Burrell (22'2 ½"/6.77) and then overtaken by Hubbard's 22'5 ¼"w. Joyner-Kersey opened round three with her best of the day – 21'10 ¾" to move into 4th, Burrell edged past Hubbard on countback with her 22'5 ¼", and the crowd held its breath as Jones took her third jump. After 2 fouls she had to jump at least 20'11 ½" without fouling. She hit 22'1 ¾" to move into 4th. Burrell, showing great consistency produced her legal best of the day (22'10 ¼"/6.96) in round 4 and Jones moved onto the team with 22'7"w. She cemented her position in the penultimate round with the day's only 7m jump – 23'0 ½"/7.02, immediately after Pam Simpson's PR of 21'11 ½", and Williams 22'6 ½"w. Jones went on to take bronze in the Olympics, a victim of her undisciplined run-up as she had fouls well in excess of the winning jump.

Triple Jump - July 22, 10.15 Hr

1. Nicole Gamble (Nike)	45'9 ¾"	(13.96)	+1.7w
2. Sheila Hudson (Reebok)	45'8 ½"	(13.93)	+0.9w
3. Tiombe Hurd (Nike)	45'7 ¾"	(13.91)	+1.8w
4. Stacy Bowers (Nike)	45'4 ½"	(13.83)	+1.4w
5. Natasha Alleyne-Gibson (Unat)	45'4 ½"	(13.83)	-0.9w
6. Vanitta Kinard (Unat)	44'3 ¼"	(13.49)	+0.9
7. Shakeema Walker (Unat)	44'2 ¾"	(13.48)	+1.6w
8. Deana Simmons (Unat)	43'4 ½"	(13.22)	+1.5w

9. Diana Orrange (Unat) 42'7" (12.98), 10. Brandi Prieto (CSN) 41'4 ½" (12.61), Shonda Swift (Shore AC), and Penny Blackwell (Unat) – 3 Fouls/// Qualifying: July 20, 19.45 Hr, 44'7 1/2" (13.60) or top-12: Kinard 45'4 ¼"w (13.82), Walker 45'1" (13.74), Hurd 44'11" (13.69), Hudson 44'6 ¼" (13.57), Bowers 44'2 ¾" (13.48), Alleyne-Gibson 44'0 ½" (1.42), Gamble 43'11 ¾" (13.40), Swift 41'9 ¾" (13.35), Simmons 41'8 ½" (13.32), Prieto 43'5" (13.23), Blackwell 43'3" (13.18), Orrange 43'2 ¼" (13.16), Non-qualifiers: Tongula Givens (Unat) 42'11 ¾" (13.10), Robyne Johnson (Unat) 42'11" (13.08), Niambi Dennis (US Army) 42'9" (13.03), Dalhia Ingram (Neb) 42'7", Sherlane Armstrong (NC St) 42'7"w (12.98), Amanda Banks (Unat) 41'8 ¾" (12.72), Monica Cabbler (Unat) 41'7 ¾" (12.69), LaVada Hill (SMU) 41'6" (12.65), Detrich Clariett (Unat) 41'3" (12.57). DeAnne Davis (N Car) – 3 Fouls, and Cynthia Rhodes (Reeb) - Dns

The “A” standard for the Olympics was 46'5 ¼" (14.15), a distance achieved by 2 American women (Hudson and Rhodes) in the past, but by no-one in 2000, and Sacramento never looked like producing jumps at that level. Gamble led the first round with 45'6", 1 ½" ahead of Hurd, and improved to her winning jump of 45'9 ¾" in the second stanza. Hudson jumped 44'11" in round two, but was headed by Bowers' 45'4 ½". When Hudson and Hurd jumped 45'8 ½" and 45'7 ¾" the competition was effectively over, with Gamble set as the only representative for the Olympics.

Shot Put - July 21, 20.15 Hr

1. Connie Price-Smith (Reebok)	61'1 1/2"	(18.63)	18.27/17.92/x/18.63/18.19/x
2. Jesseca Cross (NYAC)	58'2 1/2"	(17.74)	16.91/17.61/17.74/17.70/x/17.61
3. Dawn Dumble (Reebok)	57'1"	(17.40)	17.40/16.92/x/17.08/16.64/x
4. Teri Tunks (Nike)	56'11 1/4"	(17.35)	16.82/16.87/16.96/16.68/17.35/17.04
5. Cheree Hicks (Syracuse)	53'10 1/2"	(16.42)	
6. Lisa Griebel (Ia St)	53'5 1/2"	(16.29)	
7. Chaniqua Ross (Reeb)	53'0 3/4"	(16.17)	
8. Christina Tolson (Reeb)	52'4 3/4"	(15.97)	

9. Heather Leverington (Emp St) 52'4 3/4" (15.97), 10. Jenny Folz (Unat) 50'4 3/4" (15.36), 11. Leslie Vidmar 49'7 1/4" (15.12), 12. Leann Boerema (Neb) 48'8 1/4" (14.84)/// Qualifying: July 20, 19.30 Hr, 55'9 1/4" (17.00) or top-12: Price-Smith 57'4 3/4" (17.49), Cross 57'0 3/4" (17.39), Dumble 55'7 3/4" (16.96), Folz 55'0 3/4" (16.78), Tolson 54'1 3/4" (16.50), Tunks 53'1 3/4" (16.20), Griebel 51'10 1/2" (15.81), Leverington 51'3 3/4" (15.64), Hicks 50'9 1/4" (15.47), Ross 50'1 1/4" (15.27), Boerema 49'9" (15.16) . Non-qualifiers: Aubrey Schmitt (Minn) 48'11 3/4" (14.93), Marsha French (UTA) 48'3 1/2" (14.72), Amber Knighten (Brown) 47'0 3/4" (14.34). Tressa Thompson (Nike) and Amanda Kinney (Wyo) – Dns.

Between 1987 and 1999 Price-Smith finished as low as 2nd in the US championships just twice, and had won every US title from 1992-99. The OT doubling as it had since 1992 as the National Championships proved to be another win for the tall (6'3 1/2") veteran. Price-Smith's first throw of 59'11 1/2" was enough to win, and her 4th throw of 61'1 1/2" sealed the victory. Behind her Dawn Dumble settled her Olympic place with her opening throw of 57'1", while Jesseca Cross, in third with her opening throw of 55'5 1/2", moved into second in the next round with 57'9 1/4". Teri Tunks, had – with the recently suspended Tressa Thompson – been favored to make the team, and her penultimate throw of 56'11 1/2" came very close.

Discus Throw - July 17, 20.40 Hr

1. Seilala Sua (Reebok)	216'2"	(65.90)	65.90/63.19/x/x/62.67/x
2. Suzy Powell (Asics)	211'10"	(64.58)	60.84/59.94/62.12/63.39/62.80/64.58
3. Kris Kuehl (MF Ath)	202'7"	(61.74)	49.66/48.87/58.43/61.74/59.86/60.16
4. Aretha Hill (Team Q)	199'2"	(60.70)	57.64/x/59.76/60.70/x/x
5. Janet Hill (Unat)	195'11"	(59.72)	59.72/58.27/54.32/55.57/53.84/x
6. Edie Boyer (Unat)	191'6"	(58.37)	54.71/58.37/58.26/56.53/x/x
7. Roberta Collins (Unat)	189'11"	(57.90)	
8. Dawn Ellerbe (NYAC)	183'7"	(55.95)	

9. Lacy Barnes-Mileham (Friends United) 181'11" (55.44), 10. Summer Pierson (Stan) 176'10" (53.91), 11. April Malveo (Unat) 174'11" (53.32), 12. Cheree Hicks (Syr) 164'11" (50.26)/// Qualifying: July 16, 12.30 Hr, 190'3" (58.00) or top-12: Powell 203'1" (61.90), Kuehl 200'7" (61.14), Barnes-Mileham 195'2" (59.49), Sua 190'6" (58.07), J.Hill 185'1" (56.41), Pierson 184'6" (56.24), Ellerbe 184'3" (56.17), Boyer 184'2" (56.13), Collins 182'10" (55.74), Hicks 178'10" (54.51), Malveo 178'0" (54.25), A.Hill 171'7" (52.30). Non-qualifiers: Erica Ahmann (Team Q) 170'0" (51.83), Angela Joy (Ind Inv) 164'11" (50.26), Diane Slinden (Tenn) 163'0" (49.68), Brenda Westbrook (Unat) 162'2" (49.42), Jenny Webster (Ark St) 161'4" (49.17), Jill Pedretti (N Car) 150'8" (45.93), Deshaya Williams (Penn St) 146'0" (44.51), Gia Lewis (Ill) 145'5" (44.33), Briona Reynolds (ND HS) 143'6" (43.74), Carol Finsrud (Unat) 140'5" (42.79)

Suzy Powell was 4-0 against Sua in 2000, but the 1998-99 US Champion turned that around with her first throw of 216'2", breaking the Trials record, set by Powell in the qualifying round, by exactly 4 meters (13'1), and missing the US record by just 8 inches. Powell, throwing immediately before Sua, had guaranteed Olympic selection with her opening throw of 60.84, but made sure with 4 throws beyond the previous Trials record, culminating with her final throw of 211'10". Behind the 2 former UCLA throwers, the battle for third was between Kuehl and Hill, and was settled in round 4 when Kuehl overtook Hill's 59.76 with 61.74. Hill instantly responded with 60.70, which would have been good enough to make any other previous team.

Hammer Throw - July 15, 14.30 Hr

1. Dawn Ellerbe (NYAC)	227'0"	(69.20)	64.28/65.40/68.45/69.04/67.53/69.20
2. Amy Palmer (NYAC)	217'7"	(66.31)	x/x/63.70/64.89/66.31/x
3. Jesseca Cross (NYAC)	217'2"	(66.20)	62.67/66.20/64.16/65.74/65.92/x
4. Anna Norgren (Team Lizard)	214'5"	(65.35)	65.35/63.04/64.04/64.07/61.80/64.25
5. Bethany Hart (Conn)	204'0"	(62.17)	
6. Tamika Powell (Reebok)	203'10"	(62.14)	
7. Leslie Coons (Unat)	201'3"	(61.35)	
8. Maureen Griffin (Unat)	201'0"	(61.26)	

9. Mel Price (Unat) 194'2" (59.19), 10. Jennifer Vail (USC) 190'2" (57.97), 11. Christina Tolson (Reeb) 189'9" (57.85), 12. Ericka Dice (Unat) 186'10" (56.94)/// Qualifying: July 14, 19.00/13.30 Hr, 208'4" (63.50) or top-12: Norgren 213'10" (65.18), Ellerbe 212'1" (64.64), Coons 209'4" (63.80), Powell 205'10" (62.74), Hart 205'9" (62.71), Palmer 203'2" (61.92), Griffin 198'11" (60.65), Cross 198'3" (60.45), Price 198'2" (60.42), Tolson 197'11" (60.34), Dice 193'3" (58.92), Vail 192'9" (58.76). Non-qualifiers: Tina Rankin (Mjolinir TC) 189'11" (57.90), Meshell Trotter (Tex A&M) 189'5" (57.75), Michelle Clayton-Boswell (Unat) 185'3" (56.46), Kiyomi Parish (Unat) 182'6" (55.62), Erin Wibbels (Neb) 177'0" (53.97), Jenny Folz (Unat) 173'9", Julie Thomas (Wyo) 170'5" (51.95)

As the only 230+ thrower, Ellerbe was hot favorite to win. She took a while to get into the groove – her opening throw of 210'11" was immediately topped by Norgren's 214'5", and her second round riposte of 214'7" was overtaken three throws later by Cross's 217'2". From then on Ellerbe laid down the law – her worst throw of 221'7" being well in advance of Palmer's best of 217'7" (for runner-up spot). Ellerbe's best of 227'0" came in the last round and gave her a 6 throw average of 220'10". In Sydney Ellerbe and Palmer finished 7-8, the best 2000 Olympic performance by US women throwers.

Javelin Throw - July 17, 18.45 Hr

1. Lynda Blutreich (Nike)	191'2"	(58.28)
2. Kim Kreiner (Kent)	187'2"	(57.06)
3. Emily Carlsten (Fla)	186'11"	(56.98)
4. Katy Doyle (Tex A&M)	179'5"	(54.68)
5. Candace Mitchell (S Car)	174'8"	(53.24)
6. Kathryn Polansky (Or HS)	174'2"	(53.10)
7. Beth Obruba (Unat)	173'1"	(52.76)
8. Cassie Morelock (Neb)	168'7"	(51.39)

9. Windy Dean (NYAC) 164'10" (50.25), 10. Trina Rogers (Unat) 159'11" (48.74), 11. Ann Crouse (Unat) 156'5" (47.68), 12. Erica Wheeler (Unat) 152'6" (46.48)/// Qualifying: July 16, 09.30 Hr, 173'11" (53.00) or top-12: Blutreich 190'92 (58.14), Kreiner 177'8" (54.15), Carlsten 174'10" (53.28), Polansky 173'6" (52.89), Dean 170'7" (51.99), Crouse 169'6" (51.66), Obruba 169'4" (51.1), Morelock 169'0" (51.51), Doyle 167'8" (51.11), Rogers 166'8" (50.80), Mitchell 166'5" (50.72), Wheeler 165'0" (50.30). Non-qualifiers: Jamie Strieter (Ind Inv) 164'11" (50.28), Inge Jorgensen (Va) 162'9" (49.62), Teri Spiers (Unat) 162'1" (49.41), Kendra Wecker (Kans HS), 159'1" (48.14), Nicole Carroll (OC) 159'0" (48.47), Sarah Malone (Unat) 156'11" (47.84), Serene Ross (Pur) 151'1" (46.06), Kristin Dunn (Unat) 150'9" (45.95)

As in the Triple Jump, the problem for the athletes was the "A" standard – in this case 196'10" (60.00). Lynda Blutreich was the only thrower close with 192'3", and her she showed her superiority with 191'2". Behind her Kim Kreiner edged Emily Carlsten for second, while Kathryn Polansky, who turned 19 two days earlier, broke the High School record with the new javelin, beating her own mark of 173'6" by 8 inches.

Heptathlon - July 14/15

1. DeDee Nathan (Nike)	(3747-1)	6343
13.34/1.76/14.33/24.54/6.40/44.17/2:16.33		
2. Shelia Burrell (Nike)	(3615-4)	6339
13.26/1.61/13.59/23.65/6.28/49.04/2:11.34		
3. Kelly Blair-LaBounty (Nike)	(3514-7)	6180
13.72/1.70/13.30/24.92/6.40/46.21/2:14.24		
4. Tiffany Lott-Hogan (New Bal)	(3642-3)	6094
13.10/1.70/13.41/24.61/5.87/49.60/2:22.51		
5. Nicole Haynes (Unat)	(3563-5)	6077
14.20/1.79/14.33/25.62/6.19/44.40/2:17.81		
6. Wendi Raatjes (Asics)	(3526-6)	6041
13.92/1.73/12.30/24.17/6.23/40.00/2:12.57		
7. Tracye Lawyer (Nike)	(3723-2)	5844
13.78/1.82/14.14/24.78/5.90/37.69/2:31.10		
8. Gigi Miller (Ark)	(3473-8)	5607
13.48/1.67/11.07/23.78/6.07/28.40/2:20.49		

Aja Frary (Unat) 5522, 10. Christi Smith (Akron) 5513, 11. Erin Narzinski (Unat) 5501, 12. Kim Schiemenz (N Col) 5466, 13. Jennifer Hoppe (Unat) 5349, 14. Alison McKnight (Unat) 5333, 15. Alicia Brimhall (Unat) 5183. Robin Unger (Unat) 4048 (5 events), Michelle Moran (Missouri) 3565 (5), and Missy Vanek (Cal) 0 – Did not finish.

The form book was followed with the top 3 expected to make the team. Fourth in the previous 2 Trials meets, Nathan peaked for Sacramento, and after a solid first day led from day 1 specialist Tracye Lawyer. Both Burrell, and Blair-LaBounty moved up the field with solid second days. Burrell closed to with a whisker of Nathan at the end – less than 4/10ths of a second faster in the 800 would have given her victory. Less close, but more tense, was the battle for third, with Blair-LaBounty needing to get more than 2 seconds clear of Lott-Hogan in the 800 – and getting home with 6 seconds to spare, as Lott-Hogan's legs gave up on her in the second lap

