

18th ANNUAL AAU NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS



SITE:

ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort

Orlando, Florida

RATIONALE:

The AAU National Club Championships has been designed to place an emphasis on the team aspect of the sport, hence the club/team meet, and to add another National Championship meet to the AAU Athletics Program. It also provides additional participation opportunities for individual athletes against national caliber

competition.

DATES:

Monday, July 7, 2014 Multi-event Competition Tuesday, July 8, 2014 Multi-event Competition

Wednesday, July 9, 2014 Track and Field Competition Thursday, July 10, 2014 Track and Field Competition Friday, July 11, 2014 Track and Field Competition Saturday, July 12, 2014 Track and Field Competition Sunday, July 13, 2014 Track and Field Competition

AGE DIVISIONS:

Individual & Multi-events:

8 & Under (No Multi-events), 9 Year Olds, 10 Year Olds, 11 Year Olds, 12 Year Olds, 13 Year Olds, 14 Year Olds, 15-16 Year Olds, 17-

18 Year Olds

Relay events:

8 & Under (4x100m ONLY), 9 & 10 Year Olds, 11 & 12 Year Olds, 13

& 14 Year Olds, 15-16 Year Olds, and 17-18 Year Olds

AGE

DETERMINATION: The athlete's year of birth shall determine the age division in which he/she will compete for individual events:

AGE GROUPS	YEAR OF BIRTH
8 & Under*	2006 & After*
9 Year Olds	2005
10 Year Olds	2004
11 Year Olds	2003
12 Year Olds	2002
13 Year Olds	2001
14 Year Olds	2000
15-16 Year Olds	1998 - 1999
17-18 Year Olds**	1996 - 1997**

^{*}Multi-events are not contested in the 8 & Under Division

ONLINE ENTRY:

Registration will only be accepted ONLINE at www.aauathletics.org, only Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!....NO REFUNDS!!!

ENTRY

DEADLINE:

Online Entry must be submitted no later than Friday, July 4, 11:59 PM EST

The AAU and ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort have spent many hours planning and preparing for this event. In order to make it a great success, we are asking for your cooperation. It is the responsibility of the coach, designated administrator of the club, or athlete to make sure all athletes are registered online at www.aauathletics.org.

ONLINE REG.

Once on-line meet entry has been accepted, no changes can be made. Upon completion of the on-line entry process, including the payment of the entry fee, athlete entries are locked and a confirmation email is sent showing all athletes and events entered. Athletes can be added until on-line meet entry is closed, but the entry and roster record of locked athletes cannot be changed. The entry of a locked athlete cannot be removed, nor can the entry of a locked athlete be swapped for another. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS. The person who enters the athletes on-line assumes full responsibility for the events entered on-line. If an e-mail confirmation of an entry is not received within 24-hours, it is the responsibility of the person entering the athletes to contact the National Office. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ENTERTAINED.

^{**}Athletes who are still eighteen (18) years of age through the final day of the AAU Junior Olympic Games shall be eligible to compete in the 17-18 Year Olds division.

ENTRY FEE:

TRACK AND FIELD INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FEE

\$40.00 per athlete regardless of the number of events. VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express ACCEPTED THRU ONLINE ENTRY. All athletes shall receive a special commemorative t-shirt for their participation in the event.

RELAY TEAMS

There is no additional entry fee for relay events as long as the following criteria are met:

- 1) All competitors as well as alternates have paid the individual entry fee of \$40.00.
- 2) The relay team represents a current 2013 AAU registered club.
- 3) All competitors must have current AAU memberships.

MULTI-EVENTS

Each athlete wishing to compete in the Multi-Events must submit an entry fee of \$40.00, if the athlete wishes to compete in the Track and Field portion of the meet they must submit an additional \$40.00 to be entered in Track and Field portion of the meet.

CLUB/TEAM ENTRY FEE

All clubs/teams will be entered in the club scoring, there is NO additional fee. ALL PARTICIPATING CLUBS/TEAMS MUST BE 2014 AAU CLUB MEMBERS!

CHECK-IN:

All entries must be submitted ONLINE at www.aauathletics.org, no later than the JULY 4, 2014, 11:59 PM EST deadline dates. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE!! Of course, we want as many athletes as possible to participate, so please get all entries submitted online ASAP!

On-Site Packet Pick-Up: Packet Pick Up for all athletes and coaches participating in the 2014 AAU National Club Championships will be held at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort. ALL PARTICIPATING ATHLETES/CLUBS SHOULD PLAN ON CHECKING-IN THE DAY BEFORE COMPETITION BEGINS. Upon arrival at the complex, please follow posted signs to the registration area. Free parking will be available. Temporary parking for RV and Buses will also be available at the complex. ALL ATHLETES AND COACHES MUST CHECK-IN AT THE REGISTRATION CENTER PRIOR TO COMPETITION!

*Hours of operation at the Packet Pick-Up Center will be as follows for the AAU National Club Championships:

Packet Pick-up SCHEDULE		
Day/Date	Open Time	Close Time
Sunday, July 6 th	2:00 PM	5:00 PM
Monday, July 7th	7:00 AM	12:00 PM
Tuesday, July 8th	7:00 AM	4:00 PM
Wednesday, July 9th	7:00 AM	2:00 PM
Thursday, July 10 th	7:00 AM	2:00 PM
Friday, July 11 th	7:00 AM	11:00 AM
Saturday, July 12th	7:00 AM	11:00 AM
Sunday, July 13 th	7:00 AM	10:00 AM

NOTE: If your event is one of the first events on any morning and is within two hours of the opening of packet pick-up, it is recommended that you check-in on the day before competition to obtain your packet and race number(s).

PROOF OF AGE:

The same 'Proof of Age' requirement for obtaining an AAU membership card, will be the same requirement for entering this meet. (See required 'Proof of Age', in AAU Athletics Handbook, Part II, Section E).

CLUB/TEAM SCORING:

Team scoring will be based on (8) eight places with the following point structure: 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1. All events will be scored towards the team totals, including the multi-events. Relay points will be awarded to the age groups in which the event was competed.

ELIGIBILITY:

Open to any athlete or club/team who holds current AAU Membership. You may register for membership online at www.aausports.org. The annual fee for individual membership is \$14.00 for athletes and \$16.00 for non-athletes. In order for athletes to be physically prepared to compete at the AAU National Club Championships level, it is highly recommended that athletes compete in their local AAU District meet. Go to our website: www.aauathletics.org, for meet information or, contact your local AAU District at 1-800-AAU-4USA or the AAU National Headquarters at: (407) 934-7200 for information about meets in your area.

<u>Individual athletes (Unattached) and Clubs from other organizations are also encouraged to compete in this Championship upon becoming members of the AAU.</u>

AAU

MEMBERSHIP:

All athletes and coaches must have 2014 AAU membership, before registering online. For membership information, and to purchase membership online, go to www.aausports.org.

All relay teams and clubs/teams must present current 2014 AAU Club membership when registering for the event online.

COACHES' EDUCATION:

The AAU National Office is happy to announce to its members, FREE Coaches' Education for all **AAU Non-Athletes**. This exciting program is **MANDATORY** for all AAU Non-Athletes and will be administered by **Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA).** Please visit <u>www.aausports.org</u> and click on JOIN NOW in order to enter and take the MANDATORY AAU/PCA coaches educational course. Membership may be revoked from non-athletes who do not complete course prior to competition.

EVENT

LIMITATIONS:

All competitors in the 8 & Under, 9 Year Old, 10 Year Old, 11 Year Old and 12 Year Old divisions will be limited, including relays but excluding multi-events (NO 8 & UNDER). Competitors in the 13 Year Old, 14 Year Old, 15-16 Year Old and 17-18 Year Old divisions will be limited to a total of (4) four events per competitor, including relays but excluding multi-events.

AWARDS:

<u>NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPION AWARD</u> (1) - National championship award will be presented to the club/team with the highest overall point total of all divisions and genders combined.

<u>CLUB/TEAM AWARDS</u> (54) - National championship award presented to the 1st through 3rd place clubs/teams in each age division and gender (i.e. "10 Year Old Girls Champion").

<u>INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE AWARDS</u> - National championship medals presented 1st through 8th for each event per age group (including each relay team member). Individual award ceremonies will be conducted at the awards area. Awards for every final event will be presented approximately 30-60 minutes after conclusion of the event.

Team award ceremonies will be conducted immediately following the conclusion of the last event at the track on Sunday, July 13th

DIRECTIONS

Directions to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World*® Resort: I-4 to exit 65. Follow signs to the Wide World of Sports. Left on Victory Way. Follow signs to parking.

COACHES CREDENTIALS:

All COACHES MUST HAVE A VALID 2014 AAU NON ATHLETE MEMBERBERSHIP TO RECEIVE A CREDENTIAL. YOU MUST PRESENT YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A CREDENTIAL.

Coaches Credential Formula		
1 - 8 Athlete(s)	One (1) Complimentary Coaches Credential	
9 – 16 Athletes	Two (2) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	
17 – 24 Athletes	Three (3) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	
25 – 32 Athletes	Four (4) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	
33 – 40 Athletes	Five (5) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	
41 – 48 Athletes	Six (6) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	
49 – 56 Athletes	Seven (7) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	
57 – 64 Athletes	Eight (8) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	
65 – 73 Athletes	Nine (9) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	
74 or More	Ten (10) Complimentary Coaches Credentials	

CREDENTIALS:

Please note that the credentials issued to athletes and coaches are ATS tickets. These tickets are required to be used in the turnstiles to gain access to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort. If an athlete or coach loses their credential, a replacement will be issued at the cost of an LOE

ticket.

The schedule for this event will be on a "TIME" schedule for each event. Due to the nature of the weather this SCHEDULE:

time of year, the "TIME" schedule will be adjusted when necessary.

QUALIFICATION: The top eight (8) place finishers and relay teams from each event will qualify for the 2014 AAU Junior

Olympic Games. Athletes in Track & Field Individual Events ONLY who finish 9th and after CAN MOVE UP if Athletes in the Top 8 have previously qualified at a National Qualifier (This does not apply to Multi-Events or Relays). Athletes who finish 9th and after DO NOT MOVE UP if an athlete who receives a qualifying bid chooses not to attend the AAU Junior Olympic Games. The 60m Hurdles event DOES NOT

Advance you to the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

If the athlete decides to compete, he/she must complete all online registration information at www.aauathletics.org to participate in the AAU Junior Olympic Games by the deadline of July 15th, 2014 at

11:59 PM EST.

INT'L ATHLETES: (According to the AAU Athletics Handbook, foreign athletes, provided they are AAU registered

members, may participate in AAU sanctioned practice or developmental meets; however, foreign athletes MAY NOT participate in District, Regional, or National Championship meets, except for the

AAU National Club Championships, held at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex.)

HOUSING: AAU has selected Official Housing properties for the 2014 Club Championships to help streamline your travel

management efforts and provide competitive rates and amenities for you while in the Orlando area.

Hotel and apartment style accommodations are now available and guests can book online, CLICK HERE

THEME PARK TICKETS:

Discounted theme park tickets are available by contacting Anthony Travel at (866) 796-5222 or via email at aau@anthonytravel.com. Anthony Travel also has a Club Championships specific website, CLICK HERE

CAR AND VAN

RENTALS: MAGNA AUTO RENTALS, INC. magnaautorentals.com

magnaautorentals@cfl.rr.com

Discounts with Personalized Service Call: 321-269-6851

Use Code: AAU-Disney

For additional auto rental options, please CLICK HERE

PARKING: Free parking is available at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort.

ADMISSION: Spectator tickets are available at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World®

Resort box office. Children under the age of three (3) are admitted for free. All Walt Disney World® ticket

prices are subject to change without notice. (Updated 10/8/2013).

General Admission: Adult- \$16.50 Child- \$11.50 Length of Event: Adult- \$66.00 Child- \$46.00

TRACK & FIELD VENUE INFORMATION

TRACK: ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex venue has a 9 lane, polyurethane surface [Martin

(ISA-1000)] with 48" lanes. The track has a straightaway on both the front and back straight, and has been marked for all short hurdle and sprint races to be done in both directions. The infield of the track features two bi-directional long/triple jump runways, three pad pole vault runway, three shot put areas, one discus areas and

large D-area for two high jumps and javelin runway.

ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex track & field venue has 500 permanent chair back SEATING

seats. Some seats will be brought into the venue for this event

SHOWER & There are no shower or locker room facilities available at the track & field venue. All competitors need to dress at their hotel and arrive at ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex ready to compete. LOCKER ROOMS:

Restroom facilities will be available at the track & field venue. A combination of permanent restroom RESTROOM **FACILITIES:**

facilities and port-a-lets will be placed throughout the venue.

COMPETITOR Competitor bib numbers will be issued at athlete check-in. All athletes will be required to wear their bib NUMBERS: numbers on the front of your competition singlet at all times of competition. Replacement numbers will be

issued for a fee of \$10.00 at the Timing Trailer.

HIP NUMBERS: Hip numbers will be issued at clerk of the course and will be required for all running event competitors during

their event. The clerk of course will indicate which side and location to wear the hip numbers at check-in time.

The AAU will be supplying implements for use at this event (Except Pole Vault poles). Athletes may bring **IMPLEMENTS:**

their own implements to use during competition. However, personal implements will be required to be weighed-in prior to reporting to the event site. Implement weigh-in will occur in a tent near the clerking and warm-up areas of the event. Implements will be impounded and delivered to the event area. Implements will

be returned to the athletes after competition.

PROTESTS: Protests concerning the status or eligibility of any competitor must be made to the Games Committee prior to

the commencement of the meet or to the Referee during the meet. Protests relating to matters which develop during the conduct of the meet must be made to the Referee and be filed at once, but in any case not more than 30 minutes after the result has been announced. Written protests at the National level, protests MUST be filed on official protest forms and accompanied by a cash deposit of \$150.00. The National Meet Director will cause the results of each event to be marked with the correct time and date. The Referee shall consider any and all available evidence, except photographic evidence other than official films or official videotapes. When the Referee renders his decision, there is still the right of appeal to the Jury of Appeals, whose decision is final. If

the protest is denied, the cash deposit will be forfeited.

ATHLETE WARM-UP:

The warm up area will be located adjacent to the Clerk of Course tent.

COMPETITOR CHECK-IN:

Track athletes for running events will report to Clerk's tent, up to one hour before start of event. Field event

athletes will report to the chief official of that event, no less than thirty minutes before the start of their event. Athletes who fail to report at that time will be subject to the participation guidelines outlined in the AAU Athletics Handbook. It is the athletes, coaches, and parents who are responsible to report on time, not meet

management.

TENTS: Tents/Tarps/Umbrellas will not be allowed in the grandstands. ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field

Complex will provide some tenting for shading on or near the warm-up area of the track. Some individual tents will be allowed to be erected in a limited area. However, the tents cannot be staked down, and tent tops

must be removed at night or during inclement weather.

A medical area will be stationed near the finish line of the track and staffed with athletic trainers. (No taping **MEDICAL:**

of ankles, except for injuries which occur during meet.)

FLUIDS: Water stations will be located at all event areas, clerking tent, and at the finish areas of the track.

WEATHER:

The average high temperature in Orlando during the month of July is in the low 90's with high humidity. Chance of rain in the month of July is high and the following rain protocols will be observed:

- In the case of lightning or severe rain, all competition will be halted and all guests will be asked to report to the HP
 Field House or baseball stadium. The competition will resume if the weather clears or be postponed to the following
 day (in the case of very severe weather).
- In the case of light rain, competition will continue until safety becomes an issue, at which time competition will be halted and the above protocol will be observed.

COOLERS:

As part of security and safety measures by the Walt Disney Company, coolers will be allowed as follows at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort: (1) five gallon per team, and (1) one gallon per individual. Provisions are in place to handle medications, infant products, and special dietary foods. All coolers, bags, backpacks, and duffels will be subject to the existing security inspection process.

OTHER

The following items will not be allowed into ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort:

- Lawn chairs and folding chairs
- Pets or animals, except service animals

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- This event is licensed by the Amateur Athletic Union of the U.S., Inc.
- All participants must have a current AAU membership.
- AAU membership may not be included as part of the entry fee to the event.
- AAU Youth Athlete membership must be obtained before the competition begins.
- BE PREPARED! Adult and Non Athlete memberships are no longer instant and cannot be applied for at event.
- Please allow at least 10 days for membership to be processed.
- Participants are encouraged to visit the AAU website www.aausports.org to obtain their membership