

**The 126th Track & Field Meet**

**HARVARD**

**& YALE**

**v.**

**OXFORD &  
CAMBRIDGE**

**Saturday, April 8, 2023  
McCurdy Track Harvard  
University**

# HYOC2023

## Track Events

1 p.m.	4x100m	Women
1:05		Men
1:10	3,000m Steeple	Women
1:25		Men
1:40	1,500m	Women
1:45		Men
1:50	100m Hurdles	Women
1:55	110m Hurdles	Men
2 p.m.	400m	Women
2:05		Men
2:10	100m	Women
2:15		Men
2:20	800m	Women
2:25		Men
2:30	400m Hurdles	Women
2:40		Men
2:50	200m	Women
2:55		Men
3 p.m.	5,000m	Women
3:20		Men
3:45	4x400m	Mixed

## Field Events

12 p.m.	Hammer	Men
		Women
	followed by Discus	Men
		Women
	followed by Shot Put	Men
		Women
	followed by Javelin	Men
		Women
12 p.m.	Pole Vault	Women
		Men
	followed by High Jump	Women
		Men
1 p.m.	Long Jump	Men
		Women
	followed by Triple Jump	Men
		Women

**Notes:** Meet to be held under IAAF rules; schedule subject to change

**Officials:** XXXXXXXX



# Welcome

## The Tradition Continues

Four of the world's most renowned universities renew track and field's oldest international series, a fixture that dates back to 1899. This is the 44th meet pitting the combined teams of Harvard University and Yale University against the University of Oxford and University of Cambridge.

## History Lesson

This historic series dates back to July 22, 1899, when Oxford and Cambridge edged Harvard and Yale, five events to four. The series has been renewed regularly, usually on a biannual basis, and the meet has taken place every two years without interruption since 1971. The American schools have fared better in the century since; they hold a 31-12 series lead. Women joined the series in 1981, and the champion has determined by the combined competition since 1983.

The Oxford-Cambridge team won 10 of the first 14 meets, but Harvard-Yale squad has captured each of the last nine and 22 of the last 23. Since the institution of trophies for the separate men's and women's team winners in 2005, the Harvard and Yale women are undefeated and the men are 3-1.



**Record-setter:** Mayer's javelin throw helped Harvard and Yale post the largest margin of victory in the history of the women's competition (photo courtesy Robert Harle).

## In 2019

The combined team of Harvard and Yale track and field traveled to Cambridge for the most recent match up in 2019. The Harvard-Yale team scored a 16-4 triumph in the women's division and a 17-3 victory in the men's division for a combined result of 33-7 in scored events over Oxford and Cambridge. The event was held at Wilberforce Road Track on the campus of Cambridge University.

The Boal Hammer Awards were presented to Emma Vassen of Yale and Jacob Lange of Oxford-Cambridge. The Rittenburg Hurdle Awards were presented to Jacob McClennan of Harvard and Addison Coy from Yale. Finally, the Pat Liles Outstanding Performer Awards were awarded to Sam Welsh of Harvard and Emma Vassen of Yale.

## Ancient and Modern Connections

One side of this rivalry features the two oldest universities in the English-speaking world, Oxford and Cambridge. The other side is made up of two of the oldest universities in the United States. U.S. News & World Report lists all four schools among the top seven in its worldwide university rankings.

John Harvard earned degrees from Cambridge in 1632 and 1635 and in 1638 willed his library and half his estate to the new college in the town newly renamed Cambridge. A year later, Harvard College bore his name. Both Yale's network of residential colleges and Harvard's house system are patterned after their English forerunners.

# Awards

## Naughton Trophy

The trophy is presented to winning team in this championship meet in honor of Joseph Naughton, Harvard '73. Naughton was the winner of the shot put at the 1971 meet. He was diagnosed with cancer the following year and passed away on the eve of the 1973 meet.

The first trophy was placed in competition in 1977. The trophy is awarded jointly to the winning combined team and then splits into two handsome pieces. Each of the winning colleges holds one piece until the next meet two years later.

## Achilles Trophy, Stead-Sellers Trophy

Presented by Tim Sellers (Harvard '80, subsequently at both Oxford and Cambridge and winner of the triple jump at the 1981 meet), the Achilles Trophy and the Stead-Sellers Trophy are to be held by the winning team in the men's and women's meets, respectively. They are dedicated to the perpetual renewal of friendship between British and American students through athletic competition. The trophies have been awarded since the 2005 meet at Harvard.

## Pat Liles Outstanding Performer Awards

On Nov. 7, 1983, Pat Liles, Harvard '60, passed away in Belmont, Mass. Liles, an outstanding person and business and community leader, earned a doctorate at the Harvard Business School, won a scholarship for study at Cambridge and later taught at the Business School. Prior to the 1985 meet, the Executive Committee, in discussion with Pat's wife, Dagmar, and with the Oxford-Cambridge Achilles Club, endowed awards for the outstanding male and female performers in the meet. The coaches of the four teams select the award recipients.

## Boal Hammer Award

The winner of the hammer throw will receive the Boal Hammer Award. It is presented by John L. Thorndike, Harvard '49. The award, a pair of bookends, was presented for the first time in 1979 and is named for Ayres Boal, Harvard 1900, the first winner of the hammer in this meet in 1899.

## Medals

Event winners will receive medals.

# Women's Results

Year	Winner	Score	Year	Winner	Score	Year	Winner	Score
1981	OC	7-2	1995	OC	9-6	2009	HY	12-7
1983	HY	90-67	1997	OC	9-7	2011	HY	17-2
1985	HY	13-2	1999	HY	13-4	2013	HY	14-5
1987	HY	90-67	2001	HY	13-4	2015	HY	17-2
1989	HY	22-12	2003	HY	14-4	2017	HY	11-9
1991	HY	98-58	2005	HY	13-7	2019	HY	16-4
1993	OC	9-6	2007	HY	15-4			

# Team Results

Year	Winner	Site	Score	Year	Winner	Site	Score
1899	OC	London	5-4	1971	HY	London	9-7
1901	HY	New York	6-3	1973	HY	Boston	11-5
1904	HY	London	6-3	1975	HY	Oxford	11-6
1911	OC	London	5-4	1977	HY	Boston	14-3
1921	HY	Boston	8-2	1979	HY	Cambridge	119-70
1923	OC	Wembley	6.5-5.5	1981	HY	New Haven	11-7
1925	HY	Boston	6-6*	1983	HY	Cambridge	222-144
1927	OC	Stamford Bridge	7-5	1985	HY	Boston	24-10
1929	HY	Boston	8.5-3.5	1987	HY	Oxford	202-152
1931	HY	Stamford Bridge	7.5-4.5	1989	HY	New Haven	22-12
1933	HY	Boston	6-6*	1991	HY	Oxford	215.5-137.5
1935	OC	Stamford Bridge	6-6*	1993	OC	Boston	19-15
1937	OC	Boston	7-5	1995	HY	Oxford	19-18
1939	OC	London	9-3	1997	HY	New Haven	20-16
1949	OC	Boston	8-5	1999	HY	Cambridge	25-12
1951	OC	London	9-4	2001	HY	New Haven	23-13
1957	OC	Boston	9-6	2003	HY	Cambridge	24-14
1959	HY	London	8-7	2005	HY	Boston	25-13
1961	HY	Boston	11-4	2007	HY	Oxford	29-10
1963	OC	London	9-8	2009	HY	New Haven	21-17
1965	HY	Boston	11-5	2011	HY	Cambridge	32-7
1967	HY	London	11-5	2013	HY	Harvard	27-11
				2015	HY	Oxford	30-9
				2017	HY	Yale	24-16
				2019	HY	Cambridge	33-7

\* tied, winner based on second-place finishes

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# Men's Results

Year	Winner	Score	Year	Winner	Score	Year	Winner	Score
1899	OC	5-4	1957	OC	9-6	1991	HY	117.5-79.5
1901	HY	6-3	1959	HY	8-7	1993	OC	10-9
1904	HY	6-3	1961	HY	11-4	1995	HY	12-8
1911	OC	5-4	1963	OC	9-8	1997	HY	11-9
1921	HY	8-2	1965	HY	11-5	1999	HY	12-8
1923	OC	6.5-5.5	1967	HY	11-5	2001	HY	10-9
1925	HY	6-6*	1971	HY	9-7	2003	HY	10-10*
1927	OC	7-5	1973	HY	11-5	2005	HY	12-6
1929	HY	8.5-3.5	1975	HY	11-6	2007	HY	14-6
1931	HY	7.5-4.5	1977	HY	14-3	2009	OC	10-9
1933	HY	6-6*	1979	HY	119-70	2011	HY	15-5
1935	OC	6-6*	1981	HY	11-7	2013	HY	13-6
1937	OC	7-5	1983	HY	132-77	2015	HY	13-7
1939	OC	9-3	1985	HY	11-8	2017	HY	11-7
1949	OC	8-5	1987	HY	112-89	2019	HY	17-3
1951	OC	9-4	1989	HY	8-7			

\* tied, winner based on most second-place finishes

# HYOC and the Friends of Harvard Track

*by Bill Okerman*

When a track and field team from Oxford competed against one from Yale on July 16, 1894, at the Queen's Club grounds in London, it was the first international track and field meet of the modern era, predating by two years the first modern Olympic Games. In October of the following year, a team from Cambridge traveled to New York to meet Yale at Manhattan Field. The first competition between a combined team from Harvard and Yale and one from Oxford and Cambridge took place at the Queen's Club grounds in 1899. The combined teams met again in 1901 (New York), 1904 (London) and 1911 (London). Beginning in 1921, the two combined teams began meeting biennially, alternating between the two countries. The 1939 meet was held in London just weeks before Great Britain entered World War II.

Following the resumption of its formal athletic program after the war, Harvard fielded good track and field teams, winning the Outdoor Heptagonal meet in 1947. Yale's post-war track program was also on firm ground, winning the Heps in 1948. But one important part of the pre-war program was missing – the biennial contest between the combined Harvard and Yale team and one from Oxford and Cambridge. Alumni and

officials from both colleges were anxious to revive the international meet.

The recovery of the British economy from the war posed a significant challenge to the resumption of the Transatlantic Series, but a large share of the costs was able to be underwritten due to the generosity of parents of athletes and a small number of former Harvard and Yale trackmen. As had been the pre-war custom, the Harvard-Yale team was selected based upon the first two place finishers in the annual dual meet between the two colleges, and the costs were shared equally. An agreement was reached whereby the traditional four-year cycle would be resumed with an Oxford-Cambridge team competing against a Harvard-Yale team in Harvard Stadium in late June 1949.

A crowd of about 5,000 watched the Brits win 8-5, featuring Oxford's Roger Bannister winning the mile in the outstanding time of 4:11.9. Five years later he broke the four-minute mark at Oxford. Unfortunately for Harvard, by 1949 Yale had become the overwhelming dominant of the two rivals. The American team included only four Harvard athletes, one varsity runner together with three who qualified from superior performances in the freshman meet. With Yale continuing its overwhelming dominance over Harvard into the 1950s, when the cycle was completed with a meet in London in 1951, Harvard, with little hope of being able to attract the needed contributions to continue, dropped out of the series. However, Yale's coach Bob Giegengack found Army to pair up with for the next four-year cycle.

With the appointment of Bill McCurdy as track coach in 1952, Harvard's fortunes improved immediately. Several alumni believed that this success warranted a stronger program, and that a good place to start would be to investigate rejoining Yale in the series. So in 1955, two teammates from Harvard's Class of '49, distance runner Jack Cogan, who had been the lone varsity athlete to



**Remembered:** Pat Liles '60 is the namesake of the meet's top individual awards.



**Back on track:** The HYOC series resumed in 1957, and Harvard's French Anderson edged Bob Solomon of Oxford for the win at 440 yards.

qualify for the 1949 Harvard-Yale team, and John Thorndike, who had placed second in the hammer throw in the 1949 Harvard-Yale dual meet but did not compete in that year's Harvard-Yale v. Oxford-Cambridge meet because the hammer had been dropped from the meet schedule after 1921, met with the new athletic director Tom Bolles, who had been a very successful crew coach, to learn whether and how this could be done.

Bolles described to the two former Harvard trackmen certain successes in other sports and particularly the workings of the Friends of Harvard Crew, who successfully raised money for numerous crew expenses beyond the Athletic Department's budget. He suggested that they investigate whether a similar group could be formed to do this for track and field. Cogan and Thorndike reported these suggestions to other interested track alumni, and soon a letter of inquiry was sent out by Al Ruby '50 (now known as Mark London) to all former trackmen. The response was surprisingly strong and the Friends of Harvard Track was organized in 1955 under the leadership of Alex Northrop '38, a former captain and outstanding middle distance runner and a member of the 1937 Harvard-Yale team. As a result of these generous efforts and those of many others to follow, Harvard was restored to the American team in 1957.

In June 1975, Thorndike boarded a plane at Boston's Logan Airport to accompany the Harvard-Yale team on their quadrennial trip to England for the 25th renewal of the

competition against Oxford-Cambridge. Having remained an avid supporter of Harvard track and field, he was then serving as the chairman of the Friends of Harvard Track (with his teammate Jack Cogan serving with him as vice chairman). Although, unlike had been the case during the late 1940s and early '50s, Harvard, with McCurdy still at the helm, continued to field strong teams in the 1970s, several members of the Friends at that time had begun questioning whether Harvard's participation in the series should be continued. As a result of those concerns, Thorndike had been urged by the Executive Committee to accompany the team to obtain a firsthand view as to its merit. The team competed against Oxford-Cambridge at Oxford's legendary Iffley Road track – the site of Oxford's Bannister's world-record 3:59.4 mile in 1954 – and against a number of other teams in meets at Birmingham, Edinburgh and Dublin. Upon his return home, Thorndike reported to the Friends, "I was pleased and impressed by the overall good performances and the enjoyable time our athletes had. I concluded very emphatically that we should try very hard to maintain this traditional meet as the benefits to the competitors are numerous, greatly appreciated, and are worth the considerable cost." Having been privileged to have been a member of that year's team, I can attest to John's assessment of the tour, and to the fact that it was made all the more enjoyable for the competitors by his camaraderie and enthusiastic support.

Since resuming the series in 1957, there have been, as a result of the continuing efforts and generosity of many benefactors on both sides of the Atlantic, 27 very successful Harvard-Yale v. Oxford-Cambridge meets, the last 15 of which, beginning in 1983, have included women's events. The last time Harvard hosted the meet, in 2005, marked the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Friends of Harvard Track. The Friends have come a long way with the support of many since Jack Cogan and John Thorndike took it upon themselves to get things off the ground. This year's meet will mark the 44th time over

# Harvard-Yale Men's Roster

## Harvard Athletes

Harvard Athletes	Event(s)
Jaeschel Acheampong	Sprints/Jumps
Oliver Adler	Distance
Andrew Avila	Distance
Samuel Bennett	Hurdles
Graham Blanks	Distance
Eros Bottino	Throws
Shane Brosnan	Distance
Maxwell Brown	Sprints
John Chilson	Throws
Jonas Clarke	Sprints
Pierce Cousins	Distance
Will Crisp	Distance
Sameer Das	Distance
Hewson Duffy	Distance
Chet Ellis	Jumps
Kyle Englander	Mid-Distance
Julius Ewingkem	Jumps
Daniel Falode	Jumps
Peter Fischer	Hurdles
Victor Fleury	Sprints
Collin Fullen	Sprints
Jonathan Gamarra	Sprints
Erik Guander	Mid-Distance
Ben Hartvigsen	Mid-Distance
Reuben Henry-Daire	Sprints
Vivien Henz	Distance
Michal Husek	Sprints/Hurdles
Kenneth Ikeji	Throws
Acer Iverson	Distance
Steffan Jones	Sprints
Alexander Kolesnikoff	Throws
Gregory Lapit	Sprints
Luke Laverdiere	Distance
Justin Levy	Mid-Distance
Daire Mahon	Jumps
Riley McDermott	Mid-Distance
Jack McDonough	Distance
Noah Miles	Jumps
Marcus Miller	Sprints
John Minicus	Multi
Caleb Moore	Distance
Oliver Murcko	Sprints
Kyle Murphy	Jumps
Simon Park	Pole Vault
Sebastian Pereira	Jumps
Reed Pryor	Distance
Mason Rodriguez	Sprints
Ben Rosa	Distance
Max Serrano-Wu	Sprints
Aaron Shirley	Hurdles
Ben Shryock	Distance
Jeremiah Swett	Throws
Ondrej Vesely	Sprints/Hurdles
Lance Ward	Sprints
Noah Ward	Distance
Jeremy Williams	Distance
Sam Wright	Pole Vault
Caleb Yee	Throws

## Yale Athletes

Yale Athletes	Event(s)
Elon Abergel	Distance
Matt Appel	Throws
Winslow Atkeson	Distance
Leo Brewer	Distance
Cade Brown	Distance
Chris Brown	Mid-Distance
Tanish Chettiat	Distance
Thomas Cirrito	Distance
Kit Colson	Sprints
Aaron Cullen	Distance
Brian Di Bassinga	Jumps
Mason Evans	Sprints
Andrew Farr	Sprints
Itama Faylor	Hurdles
Luam Garrett	Distance
Bryson Gates	Distance
Shaun Gold	Sprints
Harry Grindle	Sprints
James Grindle	Sprints
Mohamed Ibrahim	Throws
Simon Jupp	Mid-Distance
Jacob Kao	Sprints
Owen Karas	Distance
Calvin Katz	Distance
Sean Kay	Distance
Braden King	Distance
Alex Mader	Distance
Aaron Miller	Sprints
Austin Montini	Distance
Stephen Moody	Distance
Zakaria Nfaoui	Sprints
Odera Nweke	Jumps/Sprints
Varun Oberai	Distance
Kenan Pala	Distance
Cristian Pereira	Jumps
Drake Prince	Mid-Distance
Colin Quinn	Sprints
Nolan Recker	Throws
Martin Riddell	Distance
Henry Saul	Distance
Jack Sendek	Distance
Drew Smith	Sprints/Hurdles
Richard Sturtevant	Mid-Distance
Jake Sun	Throws
Alex Sundberg	Throws
Isiah Udofia	Jumps/Sprints
Chris Ward	Throws
Elliot Wessel	Pole Vault
Jeamy Williams	Sprints
Marcus Woods	Sprints
Justin Yazdi	Sprints
Marcus Young	Pole Vault

# Oxford-Cambridge Men's Roster

<b>Athlete</b>	<b>Events</b>
Kaesi Opara	100/200
Jake Watson	100/Pole Vault
Zute Ogbedeh	100/200
Ryan Cherian	200
Maranga Mokaya	200/400 hurdles
Angus Harrington	800
Adam Dray	800
Harry Cox	800
Jeremy Dempsey	1500
Miles Weatherseed	1500
Ollie Fox	5000
Samuel Clarke	110 hurdles
Joe Massingham	5000
Jack Millar	5000
Terry Fawden	3000 steeplechase
Braadley Burke	3000 steeplechase
Giorgios Zaphiris	long jump/triple jump
Philip Odugbile	high jump
Marley Young	discus/shot put
Michael Allison	javelin
Jack Paget	hammer throw
Pete Cassidy	hammer throw
Mudith Jayasekara	pole vault

<b>Event</b>	<b>Meet Record</b>	<b>Results</b>	<b>Score: HY/OC</b>
Discus	S. Welsh, Harvard 59.61m Cambridge 2019	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
Hammer	M. Painter, Cambridge 64.38m Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
High Jump	J. Brierly, Oxford 7'0.75" New Haven 1997	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
Javelin	K. Womak, Yale 229'1" Boston 1977	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
Long Jump	E.O. Gourdin, Harvard 25'3" Boston 1921	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
Pole Vault	E. Duffy, Harvard 5.36m Cambridge 2019	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
Shot Put	G. Johnson, Oxford 64'3" New Haven 2009	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
Triple Jump	S. Trigg, Oxford 15.74m Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
100m	A. Awori, Harvard 1963 W. Anderson, Harvard 1967 T. Hooks, Harvard 1977 9.7	1..... 2..... 3..... 4.....	
110m Hurdles	J. Harris, Harvard 2013 14.22	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
200m	W.A. Mottley, Cambridge 21.4* Boston 1965	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
400m	W.A. Mottley, Cambridge 46.2* Boston 1965	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
400m Hurdles	S. Green, Cambridge 51.26 Oxford 2007	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
800m	J.P. Boulter, Oxford 1:47.1* London 1963	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
1,500m	R. Wemple, Yale 3:44.9 Oxford 1991	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
3,000m Steeple	J. Brooke, Oxford 8:56.4 Oxford 1987	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
5,000	R. Nerurkar, Oxford 14:14 Oxford 1987	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
4x100 Relay	Oxford-Cambridge 41.1* London 1967	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
4x400 Relay	Harvard-Yale 3:14.87 Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	
	*Converted from Yards	Men's Results	

Event	Meet Record	Results	Score: HY/OC
Discus	N. Okweloju, Harvard 52.35m Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
Hammer	A. Ekacukwu, Harvard 55.80m Cambridge 2013	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
High Jump	T. Palumaa, Oxford 1.76m New Haven 2017	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
Javelin	H. Mayer, Harvard 44.12 Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
Long Jump	G. Thomas, Harvard 6.10m New Haven 2017	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
Shot Put	N. Okweloju, Harvard 15.65m Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
Triple Jump	D. Gyorffy, Harvard 41'8.75" New Haven 2001	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
3,000m Steeple	K. Garry, Yale 10:42.2 Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
Pole Vault	M. Sabatino, Harvard 3.85m New Haven 2017	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
100m	D. Barbian, Harvard 11.98 Boston 2013	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
100m Hurdles	B. Taylor, Harvard 13.82 New Haven 2001	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
200m	N. Prill, Oxford 24.64 Boston 2013	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
400m	M. Rainey, Harvard 54.9 Oxford 1987	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
400m Hurdles	A. Franklin, Harvard 57.82 Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
800m	K. Grace, Yale 2:05.32 Cambridge 2011	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
1,500m	N. Kayali, Yale 4:29.74 Cambridge 2011	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
5,000	L. Donaldson, Yale 16:29.70 Boston 2005	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
4x100m Relay	Harvard-Yale 46.55 Oxford 2015	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
4x400m Relay	Harvard-Yale 3:48.89 New Haven 2009	1..... 3..... 2..... 4.....	/
Women's Results			

# Harvard-Yale Women's Roster

Harvard Athletes	Event(s)	Yale Athletes	Event(s)
Chrystal Aluya	Sprints	Claire Archer	Distance
Mfoniso Andrew	Sprints	Abrianna Barrett	Jumps
Fabiola Belibi	Multi	Ruby Barton	Distance
Josefina Biernacki	Hurdles	Bella Bergloff	Throws
Victoria Bossong	Sprints	Iris Bergman	Distance
Anna Burt	Mid-Distance	Olivia Birney	Mid-Distance
Alana Carroll	Pole Vault	Aliya Boshnak	Sprints
Mackenzie Condon	Heptathlon	Caoline Brashear	Mid-Distance
Zoe Cooper	Distance	Marina Carlos	Distance
Cristina DeMeo	Distance	Anna Chamberlin	Distance
Michaela Denson	Throws	Kaitly Chandrika	Distance
Jordyn Duby	Distance	Tia Chitty	Distance
Chloe Fair	Sprints/Hurdles	Carmel Fitzgibbon	Distance
Eden Finkelstein	Sprints/Jumps	Linde Fonville	Mid-Distance
Eloise Freitag	Distance	Samantha Friborg	Mid-Distance
Cammy Garabian	Throws	Larissa Giles	Sprints
Makena Gates	Distance	Carolina Glessing	Sprints/Jumps
Jackie George	Pole Vault	Kylie Goldfarb	Mid-Distance
Ella Gilson	Distance	Molly Harding	Sprints
Isabelle Goldstein	Distance	Makayla Harris	Throws
Izzy Goudros	Multis/Sprints/Hurdles	Cara Joyce	Distance
Katie Haag	Middle Distance	Sophia Karperos	Distance
Mayi Hughes	Jumps	Karen Kirunda	Jumps
Marie Jensen	Middle Distance	Sydney Kunkler	Jumps/Sprints
Jada Johnson	Multi	Maria Leskovec	Throws
Emma Langis	Hurdles	Miranda Lorsback	Distance
Shaked Leibovitz	Distance	Ella Mainwaring Foster	Sprints
Molly Malague	Distance	Sydney McCord	Sprints
Katina Martin	Sprints	Sabrina Mellinghoff	Sprints
Tina Martin	Sprints	Kalei Memmer	Throws
Ellaney Matarese	Middle Distance	Arielle Moore	Sprints
Hannah McLaughlin	Throws	Peyton Parker	Sprints
Marianne Mihas	Middle Distance	Violette Perry	Throws
Sarah Naticchia	Distance	Marisa Poe	Distance
Egbe Ndip-Agbor	Sprints	Kyra Pretre	Mid-Distance
Loly O-Donoghue McDonald	Distance	Casia Provencal	Hurdles
Ellie O'Hara	Jumps	Kathryn Rodrigues	Distance
Jacklynn Okereke	Sprints	Dominique Roman	Sprints
Sarah Omoregie	Throws	Rebecca Schultz	Distance
Allura Osborne	Throws	Hannah Schupansky	Distance
Kristin Otervik	Distance	Bharathi Subbiah	Jumps
Annelies Quinton	Distance	Kiera Suh	Jumps
Maia Ramsden	Distance	Mira Thakur	Sprints
Stephanie Ratcliffe	Throws	Bridget Vitu	Jumps
Maya Rayle	Distance	Makayla White	Sprints
Anastasie Retso	Pole Vault	Charlotte Whitehurst	Distance
Penelope Salmon	Distance	Charlie Williams	Throws
Cara Salsberry	Throws	Sophie Wright	Jumps
Meaghan Toscano	Throws	Eileen Yang	Pole Vault
Estel Valeanu	Throws	Mahdere Yared	Distance

# Oxford-Cambridge Women's Roster

<b>Athlete</b>	<b>Events</b>
Polly Maton	100/long jump
Natalie Groves	200/400
Catherine Spencer	400
Ellie O'Keefe	200
Ella Fryer	800
Alex Shipley	1500
Bea Wood	1500
Alice Gamer	5000
Adahna Ekoku	100 hurdles/long jump
Joy Linsey	400 hurdles
Martha Stevens	400 hurdles
Anna Sharp	3000 steeplechase
Reese Robinson	triple jump
Maddie Smith	triple jump
Leonie Brunning	high jump
Esther Leong	pole vault/shot put
Bridget Fryer	discus
Johanna Schoenecker	javelin throw
Phoebe Baggott	hammer throw

# The Achilles Club

*by Paul Wilcox*

The Achilles Club, which traces its roots back to the first varsity sports of 1864, was formed in 1920 by and for past and present representatives of Oxford and Cambridge Universities. Members have won 20 Olympic gold medals (most recently Alastair Brownlee, 2012 Olympic champion in triathlon, and Steph Cook, 2000 Olympic champion in modern pentathlon), and held 38 world records.

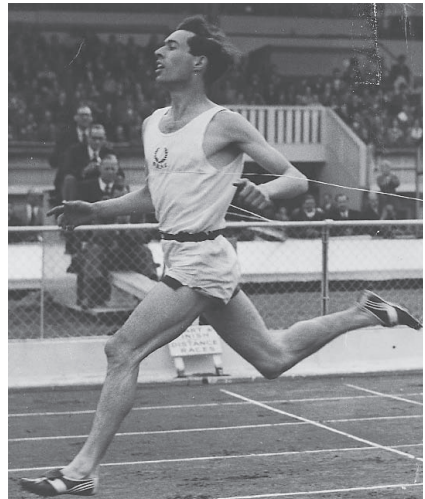
In the amateur age between the Wars the Club was the strongest in Britain. Its members enjoyed more opportunity for training than most and made up the greater part of the British Olympic team. Champions like Harold Abrahams, Lord Burghley and Jack Lovelock (New Zealand) were household names, but they supported the Club's regular exhibition matches against schools throughout the country, to encourage the growth of the sport. Very popular books passing on their expertise were published, and members contributed at the highest national and international level as coaches, promoters and administrators.

After the Second World War, Achilles athletes remained to the fore. Roger Bannister's achievements captured the imagination of the whole world; Chris Chataway was the darling of the White City; and Chris Brasher struck Olympic gold in Melbourne. By then, however, more clubs were forming as tracks were constructed around Britain. Participation in athletics soared, and with it standards of performance, while at the Universities academic pressures assumed a greater significance.

Nevertheless, the Achilles Club continues to thrive. Members like Jon Ridgeon, Craig Masback (USA) and Richard Nerurkar continue to make their mark on the world stage, both as competitors and as administrators. In the last 10 years Club teams have competed in China, Hong Kong,

Japan, Singapore, Australia, South Africa, Estonia, Finland, Italy, Germany and France, and in September 2014 will again be touring the Orient. (Harvard and Yale alumni will be most welcome to join them.)

The jewel in the crown of the Club's overseas connections remains the Transatlantic Series. The Oxford v. Yale match in London in 1894 was the first international track and field meet of the modern era. In 1895 Cambridge met Yale in New York, followed by the first meeting of the combined teams in London in 1899. The true significance of the series echoes down the century of past commentators: the friendships forged and the unique opportunities for international understanding. It is an appreciation of these factors which has kept the series alive through periods of difficulty, and which has inspired benefactors on both sides of the Atlantic to support its traditions with their efforts and generosity.



**Victorious:** Oxford's Derek Johnson wins the 440-yard run in London in 1955.

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