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A. HISTORY OF THE SPORT

The sport governing body for track and field in Canada, which is now called Athletics Canada, was established in 1884. It is one of the oldest affiliated bodies with the International Association of Athletics Federations (I.A.A.F.). Only the association of Great Britain (1880) has been in existence for a longer period of time. New Zealand followed in 1887 and the U.S.A. in 1888.

Following preliminary meetings on April 11, 1884, where the athletics associations of Quebec and Ontario sent some 50 representatives to meet at the Toronto Fencing Club, the principal business was to ratify a constitution for the newly formed Canadian Amateur Athletics Association, the forerunner of Athletics Canada.

The first championships were held in Montreal on September 27 of that year, and 20 years later, Etienne Desmarteau would win the first Olympic gold medal for Canada. George Orton, a Canadian, had won an Olympic gold in 1900, but he was competing at these second Games in Paris on an invitation from the United States.

From 1909 until the fall of 1967, the organization was known as the Canadian Track and Field Association (C.T.F.A.). However, it operated under the umbrella of the A.A.U. of C. (Amateur Athletic Union of Canada). In 1968, the IAAF officially recognized the C.T.F.A. as an autonomous group and not part of the A.A.U. of C. The A.A.U. of C subsequently dissolved itself in the early 1970's as all national federations in the different sports went their own ways.

On June 17, 1990, at the annual general meeting of the C.T.F.A., a motion was adopted to change the name to Athletics Canada. The Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs of the Government of Canada accepted this name change officially on April 12, 1991.

B. CANADA GAMES SPORT HISTORY AND PAST RESULTS

Athletics or Track and Field events have been part of the Canada Games since the first Summer Games in Halifax-Dartmouth, NS back in 1969. The list of events has changed slightly over the years.

PAST RESULTS

	1969	1973	1977	1981		1985		1989		1993		1997		2001	
	C	C	C	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
AB	3	7	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	4	4	3	2	4	2
BC	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	3	1	4	4	2	5
MB	5	4	6	5	5	5	5	6	6	5	6	6	6	6	6
NB	9	8	9	8	9	8	8	8	8	7	8	8	8	8	8
NF	10	-	8	7	8	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
NWT	11	-	12	11	12	11	12	11	12	11	11	10	11	-	-
NS	7	6	7	9	7	6	7	7	7	8	7	7	7	7	7
ON	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	2	1	1	1
PEI	8	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	10	10	10
QC	4	3	3	3	2	3	4	5	4	1	2	1	3	3	4
SK	6	5	5	6	6	7	6	4	5	6	5	5	5	5	3
YK	-	-	11	12	11	12	11	12	11	12	12	-	-	11	11

C = Mixed
M = Male
F = Female

C. NUMBER OF ATHLETES PER EVENT

There is a maximum of two entries per event per province. There is no limit to the number of events a competitor may enter. A province/territory may enter only one relay team in each relay event.

D. NUMBER OF ATHLETES ON TEAM

Male: up to 30 Female: up to 29

Total team complement not to exceed 55 athletes. Three of the male team positions and two of the female team positions are reserved exclusively for wheelchair track athletes.

E. EVENT FORMAT AND RULES OF PLAY

Athletics Canada and IAAF rules; ISMWSF rules for wheelchair events

Events (men):

100, 200, 400, 800, 1500, 5000, 10,000 m
400, 1500, 5000 m wheelchair
110, 400 m Hurdles
3000 m Steeplechase
Relay 4 x 100 m, Relay 4 x 400 m
High jump, Long jump, Triple jump, Pole vault
Shot put, Discus, Javelin, Hammer
Decathlon

Events (women):

100, 200, 400, 800, 1500, 5000 and 10,000 m
400, 1500 m wheelchair
100, 400 m Hurdles
2000 m Steeplechase
Relay 4 x 100 m, Relay 4 x 400 m
High jump, Long jump, Triple jump, Pole vault
Shot put, Discus, Javelin, Hammer
Heptathlon

F. ELIGIBILITY

Under 23 as of December 31, 2004
Date of Birth: 1982 or later

Wheelchair track athletes must be under 30 years of age as of December 31, 2005.
Wheelchair track events have an open functional classification.
"Able Bodied" competitors cannot be entered in wheelchair events.

G. JUDGING / SCORING SYSTEM

In the individual events there are 26 scoring positions, with points awarded for 1st through 26th position as follows:

Position	Pts
1 st place	100
2 nd place	97
3 rd place	94
4 th place	91
5 th place	88
6 th place	85
7 th place	83

Position	Pts
8 th place	81
9 th place	79
10 th place	77
11 th place	75
12 th place	74
13 th place	73
14 th place	72

Position	Pts
15 th place	71
16 th place	70
17 th place	69
18 th place	68
19 th place	67
20 th place	66
21 st place	65

Position	Pts
22 nd place	64
23 rd place	63
24 th place	62
25 th place	61
26 th place	60

For events run in lanes, positions 9 to 16 shall be determined by the order of finish in the "B" final. Qualifiers for the "A" final shall be scored from 1-8 depending upon finish order in the "A" final. Athletes not in the "A" or "B" final shall be ranked by their time, height or distance from qualifying rounds.

In the relay events there are 13 scoring positions, with points allocated for 1st through 13th as follows:

Position	Pts
1 st place	150
2 nd place	140
3 rd place	130
4 th place	120
5 th place	110

Position	Pts
6 th place	100
7 th place	90
8 th place	80
9 th place	70
10 th place	60

Position	Pts
11 th place	50
12 th place	40
13 th place	30

Positions 9 through 13 shall be determined by the order of finish of the “B” final. Qualifiers for the “A” final shall be scored from 1-8 depending on the order of finish in the “A” final.

For more information on the scoring and ranking system, please refer to the information sheet on flag points.

H. PLAYOFF AND TIE-BREAKING FORMAT

If there is a tie on points between two or more provinces, the tie shall be broken in favor of the province with the most first places, if still tied, the most second places, and if still tied, the most third places and so on until the tie is broken.

I. ROLE OF OFFICIALS IN SPORT

Officiating is a key component of athletic excellence. Officials ensure the consistent application of international rules that govern the sport of athletics. There are well over 1,000 officials supporting athletes across the country at local, provincial, regional, national and international events.

Officials are volunteers. Qualities of an official include impartiality, strong sense of self worth, sense of humour and a need to enjoy hard work under variable conditions with little opportunity for material rewards.

Many volunteers became officials in order to support their children who started competing in the sport of athletics. Some had other reasons for joining the officiating team, including a simple love of the sport. Regardless of how they got involved, they found that there is a special camaraderie amongst officials, one which stuck with them long after their children completed their athletic careers. The spirit of officiating carries on. Officials progress from beginners through to international rankings from Level I to V, National Technical Official, Area Technical Official and International Technical Official.

J. FACILITY DESCRIPTION

Douglas Park Track is located in scenic Wascana Park. The facility is a legacy of the 1975 and 1987 Western Canada Summer Games and provides a complete array of athletic facilities. The existing Douglas Park Track provides for all the services required to host the athletics competition. Facilities include venues for all the events, 1500 spectator seats, ample parking, crowd control, fencing, officials' room, administration centre, washrooms and shower rooms. The facility currently accommodates outdoor athletics activities for the University of Regina, the Regina High School Athletic Association, Regina elementary school meets and local athletics clubs. The Athletic Venue received major upgrades including a new surface, high jump apron, runways and pits.

K. SPORT MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS AND STRUCTURE

Total number of athletes, coaches and officials = 9,628

Per province:

BC – 2,621	AB – 1,265	SK – 1,346	MB – 123	ON – 2,238
QC – 1,133	NB – 284	NS – 216	NFL – 518	YK – 9

Jonathan Charest – Canadian Junior Champion in the 400m, 10 times Canadian Legion champion in sprint, represents Canada at the World Youth Championship this year
David Pedneault – finished 4th in 100m at the 2003 World Youth Championship
Shane Labelle – Canadian Junior Champion in 400 hurdles in 2004
John Carle – Espoir Champion at the 2004 classic in Toronto in the 800m
David Foley – bronze medallist in the pole vault in the NACAC games
Jean-Claude Ndu – one of the best distance runner at 2003 World Youth Championship

Newfoundland/Labrador

The 4x400m men's relay team may surprise a few people. Two very good female throwers, *Kate Woodford* and *Danielle Stacey*. Excellent juvenile and junior athletes taking part who will be getting valuable experience for the 2009 Games – notably *David White*, *Blaine Morry* and *Jennifer Brown* - all competing in the 400m at this Games.

New Brunswick

Provincial record holders:

Kelsey Daley, 1500m

Yves Robichaud, Hammer

Elizabeth MacDonald, Hammer

Mike Leblanc, 100m / 200m

Also:

Jessica Belliveau, 400m

Allyson Howatt, 100m

Barry Britt, Distance

Quinn Horochuk, 400m

Chris Brannon, Distance

Prince Edward Island

Jared Connaughton – 100m, 200m, finished 13th overall in the 200m at the 2004 World Junior Championships

Kurt McCormack – Triple jump, silver medalist at the 2004 Legions

Anthony Bernard – Triple jump, Long jump, bronze medalist at the Legions

Northwest Territories

Stewart Mawdsley – Looking forward to competitive results from him, and hope that his successes will help to encourage more multi-event athletes in the NWT.

Cleo Stinson – triple jumper expected to break the NWT record.

Brandie Miersch – shot putter in her final year of eligibility. She has competed in past games for both soccer and athletics bringing years of experience to the team.

Kelvin Redvers – very talented all-around athlete who has just recently begun to focus on track and field. Looking for a best ever at the CSG.

Scott Bolt – javelin thrower that will definitely be around for a few years.

Ontario

Megan Brown – likely to medal in three events at the Games: 1500, 5000 and 10 000m

Henok Lechebo – 2003 Canadian Junior Cross Country Champion, likely to medal in both 5000 and 10 000m

M. CANADA GAMES RECORDS

Athletics (men)

EVENT	ATHLETE	PROVINCE	CANADA GAMES RECORD	YEAR
Discus	Jason Gervais	ON	54.28 m	1997
Javelin	Mike Mahovich	BC	75.20 m	1981
Shot Put	Wes Boudreau	BC	17.23 m	1997
Hammer Throw	Wes Boudreau	BC	62.14 m	1997
Triple Jump	Edrick Floreal	QC	16.07 m	1985
Long Jump	Andrew Channer	ON	7.81 m	1997
High Jump	Mike Caza	ON ON	2.22 m	1985 1997
4 x 100 m Relay	Andrew Channer Michael Nicolini Anthony Branch Troy Dos Santos	ON	40.12	1997
4 x 400 m Relay	Rayton Archer Christopher Davis Scott Mooney Monte Raymond	ON	3:08.34	1993
110 m Hurdles	Andrew Lissade	QC	14.15	1997
400 m Hurdles	Alexandre Marchand	QC	50.54	1997
100 m	Troy Dos Santos	ON	10.39	1997
200 m	Glenn Smith	ON	20.90	1997
400 m	David Williams	ON	46.59	1985
800 m	Michael McLean	AB	1:48.82	1989
1500 m	Dennis Stark	ON	3:45.87	1981
3000 m	William Briten	ON	8:25.76	1973
5000 m	Dennis Stark	ON	13:57.82	1981
10 000 m	Janik Lambert	MB	29:31.99	1993
10 km Race Walk	Martin St-Pierre	QC	44:09.11	1977
1500 m Steeplechase	Lawrie Lewis	MB	4:18.32	1973
2000 m Steeplechase	Bob Evans	AB	5:42.60	1977
3000 m Steeplechase	Jean-Pierre Poulin	QC	8:44.94	1989
Decathlon	Garth Peet	ON	7133 points	1989
Pole Vault	Rob Lindsay Mark Bradley Jeffrey Miller Philippe Normandin Ian Bashnick	SK ON ON QC SK	4.90 m	1989 1981 1993 1997 1997
400 m Blind	Doug Ripley	BC	56.91	1993
5000 m Wheelchair	Mathieu Parent	QC	12:50.37	1997
1500 m Wheelchair	Mathieu Parent	QC	3:38.63	1997
800 m Wheelchair	Andre Desrosiers	QC	1:57.45	1993
400 m Wheelchair	Mathieu Parent	QC	56.83	1997
200 m Wheelchair	Jean-Thomas Boily	QC	29.59	1993

Athletics (women)

EVENT	ATHLETE	PROVINCE	CANADA GAMES RECORD	YEAR
Discus	Robin Lyons	AB	48.02 m	1997
Javelin	Monique Lapres	QC	52.22 m	1981
Shot Put	Shannon Dawn Kekula	SK	14.94 m	1989
Hammer Throw	Michelle Fournier	QC	55.12 m	1997
Triple Jump	Althea Williams	ON	13.04 m	1997
Long Jump	Tracy Smith	ON	6.05 (6.09) m	1985
High Jump	Jeannie Cockcroft Nicole Forrester	BC ON	1.85 m	1985 1997
4 x 100 m Relay	Kendall Matheson Angela Morris Tamara Perry Sandra Vuu	BC	45.61	1993
4 x 400 m Relay	Kristin Liphardt Deniece Bell Aimee Teteris Margaret Fox	ON	3:40.48	1997
100 m Hurdles	Tanya Lypka	SK	13.80	1993
200 m Hurdles	Jean Sparling	BC	27.43	1973
400 m Hurdles	Michaela Colluney	BC	58.53	1993
100 m	Cindy Moore	ON	11.56	1977
200 m	Latoya Austin	ON	23.33	1997
400 m	Andrea Dimock	ON	53.82	1993
800 m	Melanie Choiniere	QC	2:06.56	1993
1500 m	Jill Purola	ON	4:16.54	1985
3000 m	Jill Purola	ON	9:10.01	1985
5000 m	Cari Rampersad	BC	19:04.12	1997
10 000 m	Lisa Harvey	AB	33:59.74	1989
3 km Race Walk	Sylvie Fortin	QC	15:13.30	1977
5 km Race Walk	Pascale Grand	QC	23:26.04	1985
Pole Vault	Jackie Honey	MB	3.6 m	1997
Heptathlon	Catherine Bond	ON	5433 points	1989
Pentathlon	Debbie Barker	ON	3605 points	1973
1500 m Wheelchair	Chantal Fowler	ON	5:06.47	1997
800 m Wheelchair	Teresa Ferguson	ON	2:18.97	1993
400 m Wheelchair	Sylvie Potvin	QC	1:16.55	1997
200 m Wheelchair	Diane Roy	QC	34.36	1993

N. NOTABLE CANADIAN RECORDS

Canadian Records and rankings see: <http://www.athletics.ca/article.asp?id=27>

O. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Venue: Canada Games Athletic Complex

** When qualifying isn't necessary, finals may take place at those times.

Competition Schedule

Monday, August 15th

Time	Discipline	Round	M/W
12:15	Hammer	Qualifying Group A	M
13:00	100m Decathlon		M
13:30	High Jump	Qualifying Group A & B	M
13:30	Hammer	Qualifying Group B	M
13:45	100m	Qualifying	W
14:00	100m	Qualifying	M
14:00	Long Jump Decathlon	2 Groups	M
14:45	Javelin	Qualifying Group A	W
15:00	400m	Qualifying	W
15:00	Shot Put Decathlon	2 Groups	M
15:15	400m	Qualifying	M
15:15	Triple Jump	Qualifying Group A & B	M
15:45	1500m Wheelchair	Qualifying	W
16:00	High Jump Decathlon	2 Groups	M
16:30	Javelin	Qualifying Group B	W
17:45	100m	B Final	W
17:45	Shot Put	Qualifying Group A & B	W
17:50	100m	A Final	W
18:00	100m	B Final	M
18:05	100m	A Final	M
18:20	400m Decathlon		M
18:30	800m	Qualifying	W
18:30	Pole Vault	Qualifying Group A & B	W
18:45	800m	Qualifying	M
18:45	Discus	Qualifying Group A	M
19:10	5000m Wheel Chair	Final	M
19:15	Long Jump	Qualifying Group A & B	W
19:35	5000m	Final	W
19:50	Discus	Qualifying Group B	M
20:00	5000m	Final	M
20:15	End of Day		

Tuesday, August 16th

Time	Discipline	Round	M/W
12:15	Hammer	Final	M
12:45	110m Hurdles Decathlon		M
13:30	2000m Steeplechase	Qualifying	W
13:30	High Jump	Qualifying Group A & B	W
13:45	3000m Steeplechase	Qualifying	M
13:45	Discus Decathlon	Group A	M
14:15	400m Wheelchair	Qualifying	W
14:30	Discus Decathlon	Group B	M
14:45	1500m Wheelchair	Qualifying	M
15:30	Hammer	Qualifying Group A	W
15:45	110m Hurdles	Qualifying	M
15:45	Pole Vault Decathlon	2 Groups	M
16:10	100m Hurdles	Qualifying	W
16:30	Hammer	Qualifying Group B	W
17:30	Javelin Decathlon	Group A	M
17:45	Triple Jump	Final	M
18:00	100m Hurdles	B Final	W
18:05	100m Hurdles	A Final	W
18:15	Javelin Decathlon	Group B	M
18:20	110m Hurdles	B Final	M
18:25	110m Hurdles	A Final	M
18:30	High Jump	Final	M
18:40	400m	B Final	W
18:45	400m	A Final	W
18:45	Pole Vault	Final	W
18:45	Shot Put	Final	W
18:55	400m	B Final	M
19:00	400m	A Final	M
19:00	Long Jump	Final	W
19:00	Javelin	Qualifying Group A	M
19:15	1500m	Qualifying	W
<i>If no Qualifier needed 1500 & Steeple, Steeple Final here</i>			
19:30	1500m	Qualifying	M
<i>If no Qualifier needed 1500 & Steeple, Steeple Final here</i>			
19:45	1500m Decathlon		M
20:00	4x100m Relay	Qualifying	W
20:00	Javelin	Qualifying Group B	M
20:15	4x100m Relay	Qualifying	M
20:20	End of Day		

Wednesday, August 17th *Rest/Practice Day*****

Thursday, August 18th

Time	Discipline	Round	M/W
13:00	200m	Qualifying	W
13:00	Discus	Qualifying Group A	W
13:15	Triple Jump	Qualifying Group A & B	W
13:20	200m	Qualifying	M
13:30	Shot Put	Qualifying Group A & B	M
13:50	100m Hurdles Heptathlon		W
14:15	400m Wheelchair	Qualifying	M
14:20	Discus	Qualifying Group B	W
14:35	4x400m Relay	Qualifying	W
14:50	4x400m Relay	Qualifying	M
14:50	High Jump Heptathlon	2 Groups	W
15:00	Long Jump	Qualifying Group A & B	M
15:10	2000m Steeplechase	Final	W
15:30	3000m Steeplechase	Final	M
16:15	Hammer	Final	W
17:30	400m Hurdles	Qualifying	W
17:30	Shot Put Heptathlon	2 Groups	W
17:35	Pole Vault	Qualifying Group A & B	M
17:40	Discus	Final	M
17:50	400m Hurdles	Qualifying	M
18:05	1500m Wheelchair	Final	W
18:20	1500m Wheelchair	Final	M
18:35	200m Heptathlon		
18:40	High Jump	Final	W
18:45	200m	B Final	W
18:50	200m	A Final	W
19:00	200m	B Final	M
19:05	200m	A Final	M
19:15	Javelin	Final	W
19:20	800m	B Final	W
19:25	800m	A Final	W
19:35	800m	B Final	M
19:40	800m	A Final	M
19:50	10,000m	Final	W
20:30	End of Day		

Friday, August 19th

Time	Discipline	Round	M/W
15:00	4x100m Relay	B Final	W
15:00	Discus	Final	W
15:10	4x100m Relay	A Final	W
15:20	4x100m Relay	B Final	M
15:30	4x100m Relay	A Final	M
15:45	400m Hurdles	B Final	W
15:50	400m Hurdles	A Final	W
16:05	400m Hurdles	B Final	M
16:10	400m Hurdles	A Final	M
16:15	Long Jump Heptathlon	2 Groups	W
16:25	400m Wheelchair	B Final	W
16:30	400m Wheelchair	A Final	W
16:40	400m Wheelchair	B Final	M
16:45	400m Wheelchair	A Final	M
17:30	Javelin Heptathlon	1 Group	W
18:15	Pole Vault	Final	M
18:30	1500m	Final	W
18:30	Shot Put	Final	M
18:40	Triple Jump	Final	W
18:45	1500m	Final	M
18:45	Long Jump	Final	M
19:00	4x400m Relay	B Final	W
19:10	4x400m Relay	A Final	W
19:15	Javelin	Final	M
19:20	4x400m Relay	B Final	M
19:30	4x400m Relay	A Final	M
19:40	800m Heptathlon		W
19:55	10,000m	Final	M