2016 Area 8 Regional Qualifier (Georgia, South Carolina)

June 30 – July 3, 2016

Ted Wright Stadium - Savannah State University 3219 College Street Savannah, Georgia 31404

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QUALIFICATIONS AND PROOF OF AGE:

Athletes must have a valid 2016 AAU Individual Membership in order to enter and compete in the AAU Region 8 Qualifier. AAU Membership can be obtained by going to www.aauathletics.org.

- This event is sanctioned 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 membership must be obtained before the competition begins

Athletes who do not compete in a District Qualifier will only be eligible to compete in the pole vault, javelin, steeplechase and multi-events. *Athletes competing in the USATF Junior Nationals may request a waiver into the AAU National Junior Olympics with proper documentation and proof of actual competition in the event. Waivers are to be requested (with proof of competition) at: aauathleticswaiver@gmail.com.

Proof of Age is not required to be submitted with entries or payments, but must be submitted to Meet Management "whenever required and/or challenged." (Part II, Section E of the 2015 AAU Athletics Handbook)

Acceptable forms of Proof of Age are:

- 1. Original Birth Certificate;
- 2. A notarized original birth certificate from the appropriate issuing authority;
- 3. A US Military Government identification Card;
- 4. A valid passport (not expired) and/or;
- 5. A valid US driver's license.

AGE DIVISIONS:

8 and Under GIRLS & BOYS (BORN 2008 & AFTER)

9 Year Old GIRLS & BOYS (BORN 2007)

10 Year Old GIRLS & BOYS (BORN 2006)

11 Year Old GIRLS & BOYS (BORN 2005)

12 Year Old GIRLS & BOYS (BORN 2004)

13 Year Old GIRLS & BOYS (BORN 2003)

14 Year Old GIRLS & BOYS (BORN 2002)

15 and 16 Year Old GIRLS & BOYS (BORN 2001-2000)

**17 and 18 Year Old Women and Men (BORN 1999-1998) **

*ATHLETES WHO ARE STILL EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE THROUGH THE FINAL DAY OF COMPETITION IN ANY AAU NATIONAL YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP MEET SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN THE YOUNG WOMEN'S/MEN'S AGE DIVISION.

ENTRIES:

Online entry will open on Tuesday, March 1, 2016. All entries will be submitted on-line at www.coacho.com. Entries will NOT be accepted by any other method. Entries must be completed by 11:59PM on Saturday, June 25, 2016. Upon completion of your entries, you will receive a confirmation from the online entry system. Please check this confirmation carefully to ensure that all of your entries have been properly submitted. If there are errors or omissions in your confirmation, it is your responsibility to make the corrections before the entry deadline. Meet Management will not be responsible for errors of entry.

All fees must be paid prior to the meet closing. **No entry payments will be accepted through mail or in person. Details will be outlined on the coacho.com registration site once your entries have been completed.**

CORRECTIONS/CHANGES: (THERE WILL BE NO LATE ENTRIES)

- > The Corrections/Change deadline is Monday, June 27, 2016 at 8:00 PM.
- > Changes and corrections completed during this period via e-mail only to plogan40@hotmail.com
- ➤ Incomplete entries, changes or corrections made after 8:01 PM on Monday, June 27 will be assessed a Change Fee of \$20.00 per athlete.
- > Absolutely no changes or corrections will be accepted after 12 PM (Noon) on Tuesday, June 28th.
- > The \$20.00 Change Fee will automatically be assessed and must be paid at packet pickup.

All questions about entries should be directed to Phil Logan via email at plogan40@hotmail.com

ENTRY FEES:

Athletes participating in individual and multi-events must pay both entry fees.

Individual: \$25.00 for each individual athlete

(3 events primary to midget age groups) (4 events sub-youth to young groups)

Relays: No additional charge for relays but be advised that entry into a relay even as an alternate counts as an individual event.

Multi-Events:

Triathlon/Pentathlon \$25.00 per individual Heptathlon/Decathlon \$25.00 per individual

PACKET PICK UP:

Clubs and individual athletes will be able to obtain their race related information at the track as follows:

Thursday June 29th 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday- Sunday June 30th thru July 3rd 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

GATE FEES:

Spectators: \$8.00 per day Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday or

\$25 for weekend pass (which includes Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday)

Free: Athletes, and Children (under 5).

WARM UP AREA:

Athletes may warm up in the designated warm up area. WARMING UP ON THE TRACK WILL NOT BE PERMITTED ONCE COMPETITION FOR EACH DAY HAS BEGUN.

AWARDS:

First through third place finishers will receive AAU medals. Each team should delegate one representative to pick up their medals. There will be two credentials given to each team for awards pick up. No one other than the credentialed representative will be allowed to pick up awards. Parents will not be allowed to pick up awards for their individual children, unless the child is running unattached.

CALL OF EVENTS:

This meet will be contested on a Timed Schedule. There will only be two calls made:

- o 1st Call will be made at the time that check -in is opened for any particular event.
- o Final Call will be made 15 minutes before the check-in closes.

CHECK-IN:

Each competitor must report to the Clerk of Course at least 45 minutes before the scheduled time of their event to begin the check in process. Please instruct your athletes not to come into the clerking area until there event and age division have been called. In the case of field events, the competitor must report to the Field Judge in charge of the event. Track events take precedence over field events however, you must report to the Field Judge first and request permission to be excused. Absolutely no coaches, parents or book bags will be allowed into the clerking area. Athletes should enter clerking area ready to compete.

HIPPING:

Each competitor must be present in the clerking area and report to the Clerk of Course at least 30 minutes before the scheduled time of their event to receive their lane assignments and hip number. If the heat sheets have been taken from the clerking area, the athlete will not be allowed to check in and compete. There will be absolutely no athletes allowed to check in on the track.

RULES:

THE AREA 8 REGIONAL QUALIFIER WILL BE CONDUCTED UNDER THE AAU CODE GUIDELINES AND FOLLOW THE COMPETITIVE RULES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BOARD AS MODIFIED AND OUTLINED IN THE 2015 AAU ATHLETICS HANDBOOK. THIS BOOK CAN BE OBTAINED AT WWW.AAUATHLETICS.ORG

MEET MANAGEMENT:

This meet is being conducted by the AAU Georgia and South Carolina District Meet Management Team. The Meet Management Team serves as the Games Committee in accordance with Part IX, Section D of the 2015 AAU Athletics Handbook.

PROTESTS:

All protest must be filed with the Referee not more than 30 minutes after the result has been announced and/or posted, whichever comes first, in accordance with Part II, Section H of the 2015 AAU Athletics Handbook. A CASH fee of \$100.00 must be submitted when filing a protest. The money will only be returned if the protest is upheld.

JURY OF APPEALS:

The jury of appeals will be assigned prior to the start of the meet. A protester may appeal an unfavorable decision of the Referee to the Jury of Appeals. The decision of the Jury of Appeals is final.

INCLEMENT WEATHER:

In the case of inclement weather, meet management reserves the right to delay or postpone the completion of the meet. Communication regarding inclement weather plans will be handled during the course of the meet. It is the responsibility of the team, coach, or parent to make him/her selves available for these communications.

IMPLEMENTS FOR THE THROWING EVENTS: Competitors may bring their personal implements for use in competition. Please have your implements inspected and weighed prior to competition at the appointed time and place. If implements have not been approved, they will not be accepted in competition.

NATIONALS: The AAU Junior Olympic Games will be held July 29 through August 5, 2016 in Humble, TX. *Top six (6) athletes in individual events, top five (5) field events and top four (4) relay teams and multi-event athletes at each Regional Qualifier Meet will advance to the AAU National Junior Olympic Games.

Please visit the AAU website for additional information at www.aaujrogames.org.

MANDATORY Coaches Education

The AAU National Office is happy to announce to its members, FREE Coaches' Education for all AAU NonAthletes. This exciting program is MANDATORY for all AAU Non-Athletes and will be administered by Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA). Please visit www.aausports.org 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.

FACILITY RULES:

- 1. No use or possession of alcohol or illegal drugs will be tolerated. NO SMOKING ALLOWED!
- 2. No loud radios or music allowed.
- 3. Pets are not allowed in the stadium.
- 4. Tents, large umbrellas and canopies will be allowed on in designated areas only. You will be advised of those designated areas by meet management.
- 5. Please place trash in receptacles that are provided. Trash bags will be provided at packet pick up.
- 6. No selling of any merchandise will be allowed without the consent of the Region 8 Coordinator.

DIRECTIONS TO TED WRIGHT STADIUM

Please use your favorite online service (google maps, mapquest, yahoomap, excitemap, etc.) for directions to the facility. The facility address is 3219 College St, Savannah, GA 31404.

ADDITIONAL MEET INFORMATION- Coaches Meting Saturday, Morning 8:30am. There will be absolutely no coaches, parents or spectators on the in-field. There will be absolutely no coaches, parents or spectators in the clerking area. All parents and spectators will enter and exit the stadium at the back gate. All coaches, officials, volunteers, and buses will park in the parking lot nearest the front gate. All athletes can be dropped off at the front gate to meet their coach for their bands. All parents and spectators must use the back parking lot to pay and enter.

NO FASTENED wrist band - NO entry. This applies to everyone. Trash bags will be provided with your packet, please use them. Team awards will be presented at the conclusion of the meet. Coaches please make sure your athletes have their bands.