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Flash Quotes

# Sandra PERKOVIC (CRO)

#### **Discus Throw Women**

I love the Stockholm Stadium and atmosphere, although the conditions made in tough today. I have the European Championships in Amsterdam, followed by Diamond League in London prior to the Olympic games. I feel really good and am throwing well at the moment.

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# **Kerron CLEMENT (USA)**

400m Hurdles Men - 2nd - 49.87

I made a mistake on the last hurdle which cost me but it was an okay race considering the conditions. 16/06/2016 20:23

### Patryk DOBEK (POL)

400m Hurdles Men - 3rd

It went well. It was unfortunate with Bershawn with his false start. It's rainy and cold so my body took a while to get going. You can see that it wasn't such a good time because of that. But I'm happy

16/06/2016 20:26

# **Javier CULSON (PUR)**

400m Hurdles Men - 1st - 49.43

It's not nice conditions but this is sport, its a little warmer in Puerto Rico. This is my 3rd time running in Stockholm and I love this city.

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### **Brittney REESE (USA)**

### Long Jump Women - 2nd

It took a bit lomger for my body to get ready it's cold. But I'm good shape and ready for the trials. I hope to go over 7m there again. Cleveland are going to win tonight, for sure! I'm going to stay up to 3am to watch it!

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### **Ibrahim JEILAN (ETH)**

#### 5000m Men - 1st

I've very pleased with tonight. We started preparation early to beat Mo Farah this summer. It's going very well, I think we are ready. But I respect Mo Farah.

We will run as a team, I hope we will do good. We have the Ethiopian trials on the 28th June in Ethiopia.

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# Ivana SPANOVIC (SRB)

# Long Jump Women - 1st - 6.90m

It was little bit tough this evening as this is the 3rd compeition in a row where it has been really cold. The wind is not good so I tried to wait for the right moment and I am satisfied with the result but I knew that I could jump even further even in these conditions as i have good form and can jump much further than 6.90. But a win is a win and this is a good timing for me before the European Championships.

I'm in really good shape and I'm looking forward to going to Amsterdam and winning gold. After that I will stop competing for 6 weeks before Rio and of course I will everything that I can to go there in the best shape of my life and win that gold.

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# **Kendra HARRISON (USA)**

100m Hurdles Women - 12.66 (1st)

Conditions slowed me down a little but I'm happy with my performance. The US Olympic Trials take place on July 7th in Eugene. The US team is one of the toughest to qualify for but I am in good form and will give it my best shot.

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# **Desiree HENRY (GBR)**

200m Women - 22.88 (3rd) New PB

I'm thrilled with the time and new personal best, amazing. I am running well, last time out in Lausanne went well but will not compete again until the Olympics. I have some amazing athletes in my training group at the moment. I will decide in the next few days on whether to run 100m and 200m.

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### **Daniel BAILEY (ANT)**

100m Men - 10.31 (3rd)

It's my 4th time out this year and its starting to come together. I'm looking forward to the Olymipcs and want to build on my experience in previous finals.

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### **Dina ASHER-SMITH (GBR)**

200m Women - 1st 22.72

Yeah it was OK, it was my first 200m of the year, the first one since Beijing. I would have liked to execute it a bit better down the home straight but in these conditions for the first outing of the year, I can't complain. I'm going to talk to my coach, we're keeping our options open but obviously I'd like to make the Olympic team. We've got the trials next week in Birmingham and this is my last race before then.

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# Susanna KALLUR (SWE)

### 100m Hurdles Women

I think it feels like I have been running a very long marathon for the past few years and this was just like the last 100th of a second and the absolute best part. You know I have been doing so much work to be able to come here and finally I have gotten a little bit of a reward for all the work I have been putting in. Its indescribable!

As for what happens next I am just going to let my body decide, I will have to wait and see how my body feels tomorrow and the day after that and 3 days after that and a week after that, I will see when it is possible to race again. My goal is to qualify for the Olympics and hopefully my body cooperates so I can have a few more shots at 12.80 that is the Swedish Olympic qualifying time.

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# **Ben Youssef MEITÉ (CIV)**

#### 100m Men

It was horrible conditions, but everyone has the same conditions. Yeah 2 false starts was a lot. Now I'm going to try do my best, I'm going back to my base in the US to train before the Olympics.

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# **Genevieve LACAZE (AUS)**

### 3000m Steeplechase Women

A huge PB! I did 9.30 last week and that was a 2 second PB but I knew there was more in me. I knew there was a big jump there somewhere and it took today to be pushed around early on and stay conservative but I made my last km so much stronger than normal. I've given myself the confidence I needed for Rio. After 1500m I got pushed into the inside of the track and nearly fell off so I had a negative mindset at halfway thinking today's not the day. But I just looked at the clock at 1km to go and I was slower than I was at Oslo but I knew it meant I had more in the tank so use it, use it. So at 600m to go I just went for it at the water jump. I'm so happy! I'm off to Finland now to get the 5km qualifier on Sunday I've got 3 seconds to cut off

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### **Queen HARRISON (USA)**

### 100m Hurdles Women

The weather here in Stockholm was not as good today as last year.

The race felt good even though there are some people you never wan to beat you, but sometimes they do when you have a bad race. Sometimes you just do... But I was still able to pull it through and get third so I am excited to go in to our trials and soon be on the way to Rio.

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# **Ruth JEBET (BRN)**

# 3000m Steeplechase Women - 9:08:37 (1st) MR

I wanted to improve my best time, to challenge myself but the weather was not conducive to this. It was really windy in places and this affected me. The new Meeting Record is pleasing. I now go to London Diamond League as my last preparation event before the Olympic games.

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# Simone FACEY (JAM)

### 200m Women

I was surprised that the weather turned out to be like this because it has been really sunny here in Stockholm. So the conditions was tough but everyone are running in this conditions so I'm just happy I was able to get here and finish the race healthy.

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# **Shawn BARBER (CAN)**

#### **Pole Vault Men**

I've had worse, but not many times. It's tough to jump like that, especially when your pole gets wet and you lose that confidence in your grip, it's real tough to get that confidence back. Everyone had a chance tonight, it was up in the air for anybody. What he did was played it smart and he kept his poles dry and when you're able to do that it makes jumping in these conditions much easier. Everything is leading to Rio I'm just trying to have a good performance there. '6m?' We'll see, maybe some day.

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# Meraf BAHTA (SWE)

#### 1500m Women

It felt good but I am a bit disappointed that I didn't win. The race contained a lot of athletes so it was tight on the track and both inside and outside were used, that was great! The weather didn't bother me since I'm at home so that was nice.

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# **Angelika CICHOCKA (POL)**

1500m Women - 4:03:25 (1st)

A season best for me and very good preperation for the Olympics. Conditions were hard but I managed to break through in the final lap.

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# **Adam KSZCZOT (POL)**

### 800m Men

Bad weather and I screwed up the tactics a little bit, I pushed a bit too hard in the first 200m and I didn't gain anything. It was good race but far from perfect. I have the national champs in a week and then of course the european champs

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# **Anyika ONUORA (GBR)**

### 400m Women

Not bad this evening. Conditions weren't great but it was good, a good run against some top athletes, its all about building and getting ready for the nationals next week.

Rio is what I'm training for and there are 50 days to go so i'm definitely looking forward to that. Conditions would want to be better in Rio!!

I feel good coming into the next couple of weeks, every race i'm getting better and i'm always working on something. My coach is allowing me to trust myself and its just about building and getting it right for August.

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# **Ferguson Cheruiyot ROTICH (KEN)**

#### 800m Men

It was a good race. I have the trials for Kenya later this month. 'A medal in Rio?' Yes, I think so! 16/06/2016 22:23

# Pierre-Ambroise BOSSE (FRA)

#### 800m Men

I never understood why I'm the only one suffering after the races! 1:45 for these conditions, it's rainy, it's cold, it's normal to suffer. It was a tough race, a real fight. I felt losing the 20 last metres, I saw the shadow of Rotich and I thought, Oh no, not again! I promise I fought until the last metre but I couldn't win today. You never know about Rio, it's just a race!

France have to play better if they're going to win the Euros, that's my opinion. NOrmally I'm at the bar with a guinness in my hand, watching the games!

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# **Renaud LAVILLENIE (FRA)**

### Pole Vault Men - 1st - 5.73

It wasn't the worst conditions I have competed in but it was one of the worst. The only good thing today is that there was no wind so at least we could try to manage the wet conditions. But it was cold and for us we need grip and it is really complicated for us with the rain. But it is important to be able to manage it and try to be as good as possible. I am happy with the win and that is the most impotant for the diamond league.

In the coming weeks I am just hoping for good conditions. This was the 5th competition of the year and the 4th time I am jumping on 16 steps instead of 20 because of the bad conditions. I am hoping for good conditions to be able to do my full jump as I am supposed to. Next is the National championships and then the Europeans so I hope to be able to do something good in those competitions.

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# **David RUDISHA (KEN)**

### 800m Men

I am a bit disappointed. I came here to run fast but the weather today was not so great, these are not my conditions. I am really in good form so I am a bit sad I can't run far in these conditions. I still have one race and i know I am in in 1.43-1.42 shape.

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# **Christian TAYLOR (USA)**

### Triple Jump Men - 1st - 17.59

The crowd was really into it, the commentator really helped me out. I just want to stay consistent over 17metres. I'm healthy, I'm happy and now all the focus is on to the trials which is in the beginning of July. I'm a bit nervous but now I can relax a little bit, recharge and get ready to go again.

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