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ALBUQUERQUE -- Another sellout crowd in the Albuquerque Convention Center almost experienced deja vu all over again as **Christian Coleman** lit up the sprint straightaway in the final event of the Toyota USATF Indoor Championships Saturday.

Reminiscent of the stunning world record 6.34 he set here in 2018, Coleman (Lexington, Kentucky) blasted out of the blocks and maintained throughout the race to win the Xfinity men's 60m in 6.37, the fastest time in the world in 2020. Only he has ever run faster in the 60m, and this was the third time he has clocked 6.37. **Marvin Bracy** (Minneola, Florida), who won here in 2014, was second in 6.49, and **Brandon Carnes** (Waco, Texas) was third in 6.53.

Blasting the second-farthest indoor throw in history in round four, **Ryan Crouser** (Redmond, Oregon) won the men's shot put in decisive fashion with a 22.60m/74-1.75. Crouser has two other throws beyond 72-feet in his series as he won by more than five feet.

Women's pole vault featured phenomenal performances by stalwart **Jenn Suhr** (Fredonia, New York) and 2016 Olympic silver medalist **Sandi Morris** (Fayetteville, Arkansas). Morris upped the intensity with clearance on her final attempt at 4.75m/16-0.75, where Suhr had her first miss at 4.80m/15-9. Both easily cleared 4.85m on their first attempts, and then went back and forth on misses at 4.90m until Morris prevailed on her third. Suhr couldn't respond with a clearance and earned silver at championships.

2018 champion **Javianne Oliver** (Clermont, Florida) ran the fastest time in the world this year in the semifinal with a 7.04, but **Mikiah Brisco** (Baton Rouge, Louisiana) matched that when it counted most, winning the Xfinity women's 60m final as Oliver took silver in 7.08.

Vashti Cunningham (Las Vegas, Nevada) became the first U.S. woman to win five straight indoor national titles outright in the high jump, clearing 1.97m/6-5.5 before attempting a meet record 2.03m/6-8.

For the third time at a USATF Indoor Championships, **Shelby Houlihan** (Portland, Oregon) completed a distance double, winning the Progressive women's 1,500m in 4:06.41 to go with the 3,000m gold she captured last night. Houlihan, the American record-holder outdoors in the 1,500m and 5,000m, again demonstrated her superior speed over the final 200m, closing in 29.87 to beat **Colleen Quigley** (Portland, Oregon) and **Karissa Schweizer** (Portland, Oregon), who finished second and third, respectively.

One week after breaking her own American indoor record at the Millrose Games, **Ajee' Wilson** (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) won her fifth-straight U.S. indoor title, sprinting away in the final 200m of the Toyota women's 800m to win in 2:01.98. The 1,000m champion at Staten Island last year, Wilson led through 400m in 60.67 and held off a quick-closing **Kaela Edwards** (Boulder, Colorado), who took silver in 2:02.41.

Three men went beyond 17 meters in the triple jump, topped by defending champion **Donald Scott** (Ypsilanti, Michigan), who set a lifetime indoor best of 17.24m/56-6.75 to win his third indoor crown. **Omar Craddock** (Killeen, Texas) had a best of 17.14m/56-2.75 for silver, while **Chris Benard** (Chula Vista, California) took bronze with a 17.02m/55-10.25.

Running shoulder-to-shoulder with **Quanera Hayes** (Hope Mills, North Carolina) through 300m, **Wadeline Jonathas** (Columbia, South Carolina) edged away around the final turn to take gold and her first U.S. title in the Xfinity women's 400m in 51.54. **NaAsha Robinson** (Harvest, Alabama) came through with a lifetime best 51.98 for silver ahead of Hayes.

Last year's NCAA indoor and outdoor champion, **Bryce Hoppel** (Lawrence, Kansas), settled into second through 400m in 54.12 and then moved to the front with a lap to go and won his first U.S. title in the Nike men's 800m in 1:46.67 ahead of **Isaiah Harris** (Lewiston, Maine), who was second in 1:47.16.

Janeah Stewart (Oxford, Mississippi) retained the title she won at Staten Island last year in the women's weight throw, propelling the 20-pound implement 24.62m/80-9.25 to win by almost six feet. Only she and five other American women have ever thrown farther.

Moving up from a pair of runner-up finishes the past two years, **Quanesha Burks** (Tuscaloosa, Alabama) produced the best performance by an American woman in 2020 to win her first indoor national long jump title with a best of 6.76m/22-2.25 in round one. Last year's winner, **Kate Hall** (Casco, Maine), claimed silver with a 6.69m/21-11.5.

He was the fastest man in America in 2020 over the metric mile coming into the Championships, and **Josh Thompson** (Logandale, Nevada) used a devastating kick to win the Toyota men's 1,500m in 3:44.07 in front of **Nick Harris** (Niwot, Colorado) and defending champ **Craig Engels** (Portland, Oregon).

Leading from the start in the women's 3,000m race walk, **Robyn Stevens** (Tehachapi, California) pulled away after five laps on her way to her first indoor national title, winning in 13:12.54. 2019 champion **Miranda Melville** (Chula Vista, California) ended up second in 13:26.37, with nine-time champion **Maria Michta-Coffey** (Farmingville, New York) third.

A lifetime best in the first section of the Xfinity men's 400m carried **Rashard Clark** (Los Angeles, California) to his first U.S. title. His 45.86 tied the fourth-fastest time in the world in 2020 and lowered his indoor PR from 46.43. **Kyle Clemons** (Montgomery, Alabama) ran to silver in that section, crossing the line in 46.00.

Picking a propitious time to clock a lifetime best, **Gabriele Cunningham** (Cary, North Carolina) ran 7.92 to win the Nike women's 60m hurdles, her first national title. **Payton Chadwick** (Fayetteville, Arkansas) nabbed silver in 7.94, and **Tiffani McReynolds** (Los Angeles, California) took bronze in 7.96. In the Chocolate Milk men's 60m hurdles, **Aaron Mallett** (Iowa City, Iowa) moved up one spot from last year, winning in 7.54 over **Jarret Eaton's** (Columbia, South Carolina) 7.57 for silver.

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