



21st ANNUAL AAU CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

**ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex
At *Walt Disney World*® Resort**



***“LAST CHANCE TO QUALIFY FOR THE
AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES!”***

IMPORTANT INFO

➤ **New Schedule:**

- July 9 – 10, 2017 – Multi Event Competition (SUNDAY-MONDAY)
- July 11 – 15, 2017 – Open Track & Field Competition (TUESDAY-SATURDAY) **MEET ENDS SATURDAY**

➤ Top 8 Athletes Advance! This is your **LAST CHANCE** to Qualify for the 2017 AAU Junior Olympic Games in Detroit, MI !

- If an athlete that finishes in the top 8 has already qualified, then the next athlete will be “moved up” as an AAU Junior Olympic Games qualified athlete!

- This does not apply for Multi-Events or Relays.

➤ 60m Hurdle Spacing for 9 and 10 Year Old age divisions

- 6 Hurdles, 27in. in height, 11m from start to first hurdle, 6.5m between hurdles, 16.5m from last hurdle to finish.



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SITE: **ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World*® Resort
Orlando, Florida**

RATIONALE: The AAU National Club Championships has been designed to place an emphasis on the team aspect of the sport, hence the club/team meet, and to add another National Championship meet to the AAU Athletics Program. It also provides additional participation opportunities for individual athletes against national caliber competition.

DATES:

<i>Sunday, July 9, 2017</i>	Multi-event Competition
<i>Monday, July 10, 2017</i>	Multi-event Competition
<i>Tuesday, July 11, 2017</i>	Track and Field Competition
<i>Wednesday, July 12, 2017</i>	Track and Field Competition
<i>Thursday, July 13, 2017</i>	Track and Field Competition
<i>Friday, July 14, 2017</i>	Track and Field Competition
<i>Saturday, July 15, 2017</i>	Track and Field Competition

AGE DIVISIONS: Individual & Multi-events: 8 & Under (No Multi-events), 9 Year Olds, 10 Year Olds, 11 Year Olds, 12 Year Olds, 13 Year Olds, 14 Year Olds, 15-16 Year Olds, 17-18 Year Olds

Relay events: 8 & Under (4x100m ONLY), 9 & 10 Year Olds, 11 & 12 Year Olds, 13 & 14 Year Olds, 15-16 Year Olds, and 17-18 Year Olds

AGE DETERMINATION: The athlete's year of birth shall determine the age division in which he/she will compete for individual events:

<u>AGE GROUPS</u>	<u>YEAR OF BIRTH</u>
8 & Under*	2009 & After*
9 Year Olds	2008
10 Year Olds	2007
11 Year Olds	2006
12 Year Olds	2005
13 Year Olds	2004
14 Year Olds	2003
15-16 Year Olds	2001 - 2002
17-18 Year Olds**	1999 - 2000**

*Multi-events are not contested in the 8 & Under Division

**Athletes who are still eighteen (18) years of age through the final day of the AAU Junior Olympic Games shall be eligible to compete in the 17-18 Year Olds division.

ONLINE ENTRY: Registration will only be accepted ONLINE [CLICK HERE](#) to register for event, only Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express accepted. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!...NO REFUNDS!!!**

ENTRY

DEADLINE: Online Entry must be submitted no later than **Thursday, July 6, 11:59 PM EST**

The AAU and ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World*® Resort have spent many hours planning and preparing for this event. In order to make it a great success, we are asking for your cooperation. It is the responsibility of the coach, designated administrator of the club, or athlete to make sure all athletes are registered online at www.aauathletics.org.

ONLINE REG. **Once on-line meet entry has been accepted, no changes can be made. Upon completion of the on-line entry process, including the payment of the entry fee, athlete entries are locked and a confirmation e-mail is sent showing all athletes and events entered. Athletes can be added until on-line meet entry is closed, but the entry and roster record of locked athletes cannot be changed.** The entry of a locked athlete cannot be removed, nor can the entry of a locked athlete be swapped for another. There will be **NO EXCEPTIONS.** The person who enters the athletes on-line assumes full responsibility for the events entered on-line. If an e-mail confirmation of an entry is not received within 24-hours, it is the responsibility of the person entering the athletes to contact the National Office. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ENTERTAINED.**

ENTRY FEE:**TRACK AND FIELD INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FEE**

\$40.00 per athlete regardless of the number of events. VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express ACCEPTED THRU ONLINE ENTRY. All athletes shall receive a special commemorative t-shirt for their participation in the event.

RELAY TEAMS

There is no additional entry fee for relay events as long as the following criteria are met:

1. All competitors as well as alternates have paid the individual entry fee of \$40.00.
2. The relay team represents a current 2017 AAU registered club.
- 3) All competitors must have current AAU memberships.

MULTI-EVENTS

Each athlete wishing to compete in the Multi-Events must submit an entry fee of \$40.00, if the athlete wishes to compete in the Track and Field portion of the meet they must submit an additional \$40.00 to be entered in Track and Field portion of the meet.

CLUB/TEAM ENTRY FEE

All clubs/teams will be entered in the club scoring, there is **NO** additional fee. **ALL PARTICIPATING CLUBS/TEAMS MUST BE 2017 AAU CLUB MEMBERS!**

CHECK-IN:

All entries must be submitted ONLINE at www.aauathletics.org, no later than the **JULY 6, 2017, 11:59 PM EST** deadline dates. **NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE!!** Of course, we want as many athletes as possible to participate, so please get all entries submitted online ASAP!

On-Site Packet Pick-Up: Packet Pick Up for all athletes and coaches participating in the 2017 AAU National Club Championships will be held at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World®* Resort. **ALL PARTICIPATING ATHLETES/CLUBS SHOULD PLAN ON CHECKING-IN THE DAY BEFORE COMPETITION BEGINS.** Upon arrival at the complex, please follow posted signs to the registration area. Free parking will be available. Temporary parking for RV and Buses will also be available at the complex. **ALL ATHLETES AND COACHES MUST CHECK-IN AT THE REGISTRATION CENTER PRIOR TO COMPETITION!**

*Hours of operation at the Packet Pick-Up Center will be as follows for the AAU National Club Championships:

Packet Pick-up SCHEDULE		
Day/Date	Open Time	Close Time
Saturday, July 8 th	1:00 PM	5:00 PM
Sunday, July 9 th	7:00 AM	12:00 PM
Monday, July 10 th	7:00 AM	2:00 PM
Tuesday, July 11 th	7:00 AM	2:00 PM
Wednesday, July 12 th	7:00 AM	2:00 PM
Thursday, July 13 th	7:00 AM	12:00 PM
Friday, July 14 th	7:00 AM	12:00 PM
Saturday, July 15 th	7:00 AM	9:00 AM

NOTE: If your event is one of the first events on any morning and is within two hours of the opening of packet pick-up, it is recommended that you check-in on the day before competition to obtain your packet and race number(s).

PROOF OF AGE:

The same 'Proof of Age' requirement for obtaining an AAU membership card, will be the same requirement for entering this meet. (See required 'Proof of Age', in AAU Athletics Handbook, Part II, Section E).

**CLUB/TEAM
SCORING:**

Team scoring will be based on (8) eight places with the following point structure: 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1. All events will be scored towards the team totals, including the multi-events. Relay points will be awarded to the age groups in which the event was competed.

ELIGIBILITY:

Open to any athlete or club/team who holds current AAU Membership. You may register for membership online at www.aausports.org. The annual fee for individual membership is \$14.00 for athletes and \$16.00 for non-athletes. In order for athletes to be physically prepared to compete at the AAU National Club Championships level, it is highly recommended that athletes compete in their local AAU District meet. Go to our website: www.aauathletics.org, for meet information or, contact your local AAU District at 1-800-AAU-4USA or the AAU National Headquarters at: (407) 934-7200 for information about meets in your area.

Individual athletes (Unattached) and Clubs from other organizations are also encouraged to compete in this Championship upon becoming members of the AAU.

**AAU
MEMBERSHIP:**

All athletes and coaches must have 2017 AAU membership, before registering online. For membership information, and to purchase membership online, go to www.aausports.org.

All relay teams and clubs/teams must present current 2017 AAU Club membership when registering for the event online.

**COACHES'
EDUCATION:**

The AAU National Office is happy to announce to its members, FREE Coaches' Education for all **AAU Non-Athletes**. 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.

**EVENT
LIMITATIONS:**

All competitors in the 8 & Under, 9 Year Old, 10 Year Old, 11 Year Old and 12 Year Old divisions will be limited, including relays but excluding multi-events (NO 8 & UNDER). Competitors in the 13 Year Old, 14 Year Old, 15-16 Year Old and 17-18 Year Old divisions will be limited to a total of (4) four events per competitor, including relays but excluding multi-events.

AWARDS:

NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPION AWARD (1) - National championship award will be presented to the club/team with the highest overall point total of all divisions and genders combined.

CLUB/TEAM AWARDS (54) - National championship award presented to the 1st through 3rd place clubs/teams in each age division and gender (i.e. "10 Year Old Girls Champion").

INDIVIDUAL ATHLETE AWARDS - National championship medals presented 1st through 8th for each event per age group (including each relay team member). Individual award ceremonies will be conducted at the awards area. Awards for every final event will be presented approximately 30-60 minutes after conclusion of the event.

Team award ceremonies will be conducted immediately following the conclusion of the last event at the track on Saturday, July 15th

DIRECTIONS

Directions to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World®* Resort: I-4 to exit 65. Follow signs to the Wide World of Sports. Left on Victory Way. Follow signs to parking.

**COACHES
CREDENTIALS:**

All COACHES MUST HAVE A VALID 2017 AAU NON-ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP TO RECEIVE A CREDENTIAL. YOU MUST PRESENT YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A CREDENTIAL.

Coaches Credential Formula	
1 – 8 Athlete(s)	One (1) Complimentary Coaches Credential
9 – 16 Athletes	Two (2) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
17 – 24 Athletes	Three (3) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
25 – 32 Athletes	Four (4) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
33 – 40 Athletes	Five (5) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
41 – 48 Athletes	Six (6) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
49 – 56 Athletes	Seven (7) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
57 – 64 Athletes	Eight (8) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
65 – 73 Athletes	Nine (9) Complimentary Coaches Credentials
74 or More	Ten (10) Complimentary Coaches Credentials

CREDENTIALS: Please note that the credentials issued to athletes and coaches are ATS tickets. These tickets are required to be used in the turnstiles to gain access to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World®* Resort. **If an athlete or coach loses their credential, a replacement will be issued at the cost of an LOE ticket.**

SCHEDULE: The schedule for this event will be on a “TIME” schedule for each event. Due to the nature of the weather this time of year, the “TIME” schedule will be adjusted when necessary.

[CLICK HERE FOR SCHEDULE](#)

QUALIFICATION: The top **EIGHT (8)** place finishers and relay teams from each event will qualify for the 2017 AAU Junior Olympic Games. Athletes in **Track & Field Individual Events ONLY** who finish 9th and after **CAN MOVE UP** if Athletes in the Top 8 have previously qualified at a National Qualifier (This does not apply to Multi-Events or Relays). Athletes who finish 9th and after **DO NOT MOVE UP** if an athlete who receives a qualifying bid chooses not to attend the AAU Junior Olympic Games. The 60m Hurdles event **DOES NOT** Advance you to the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

If the athlete decides to compete, he/she must complete all online registration information at www.aauathletics.org to participate in the AAU Junior Olympic Games by the deadline of **July 18th, 2017 at 11:59 PM EST.**

INT’L ATHLETES: (According to the AAU Athletics Handbook, foreign athletes, provided they are AAU registered members, may participate in AAU sanctioned practice or developmental meets; however, foreign athletes **MAY NOT** participate in District, Regional, or National Championship meets, except for the AAU National Club Championships, held at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex.)

HOUSING: AAU has selected **Anthony Travel** as the Official Housing Provider for all AAU Orlando events beginning in 2017. This partnership has been put in place to help streamline your travel management efforts and provide competitive hotel rates, specially-priced Theme Park Tickets, and amenities for you in the Orlando area. Although there is no requirement to book with Anthony Travel, we highly recommend their services for the following reasons listed below. Anthony Travel offers discounted accommodations, outstanding customer service and an overall greater travel experience than in years past!

Hotel accommodations are now available and guests can book online ([Click Here](#)), 24 hours a day, or by calling **(866) 796-5222**, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 5 pm CT. AAU, Disney and Anthony Travel look forward to serving you in 2017!

THEME PARK TICKETS: Discounted theme park tickets are available. Please contact rwilliams@aausports.org for more information.

CAR AND VAN RENTALS: MAGNA AUTO RENTALS, INC. magnaautorentals.com
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Discounts with Personalized Service Call: 321-269-6851
Use Code: AAU-Disney

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PARKING: Free parking is available at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World®* Resort.

ADMISSION: Spectator tickets are available at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World®* Resort box office. Children under the age of three (3) are admitted for free. All *Walt Disney World®* ticket prices are subject to change without notice. (Updated 2/13/2017).

1-Day Event Admission:	Adult- \$18.00	Child- \$13.00
Length of Event Admission:	Adult- \$72.00	Child- \$52.00

TRACK & FIELD VENUE INFORMATION

TRACK:	ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex venue has a 9 lane, polyurethane surface [Martin (ISA-1000)] with 48" lanes. The track has a straightaway on both the front and back straight, and has been marked for all short hurdle and sprint races to be done in both directions. The infield of the track features two bi-directional long/triple jump runways, three pad pole vault runway, three shot put areas, one discus areas and large D-area for two high jumps and javelin runway.
SEATING	ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex track & field venue has 500 permanent chair back seats. Some seats will be brought into the venue for this event
SHOWER & LOCKER ROOMS:	There are no shower or locker room facilities available at the track & field venue. All competitors need to dress at their hotel and arrive at ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex ready to compete.
RESTROOM FACILITIES:	Restroom facilities will be available at the track & field venue. A combination of permanent restroom facilities and port-a-lets will be placed throughout the venue.
COMPETITOR NUMBERS:	Competitor bib numbers will be issued at athlete check-in. All athletes will be required to wear their bib numbers on the front of your competition singlet at all times of competition. Replacement numbers will be issued for a fee of \$10.00 at the Timing Trailer.
HIP NUMBERS:	Hip numbers will be issued at clerk of the course and will be required for all running event competitors during their event. The clerk of course will indicate which side and location to wear the hip numbers at check-in time.
IMPLEMENTS:	The AAU will be supplying implements for use at this event (Except Pole Vault poles). Athletes may bring their own implements to use during competition. However, personal implements will be required to be weighed-in prior to reporting to the event site. Implement weigh-in will occur in a tent near the clerking and warm-up areas of the event. Implements will be impounded and delivered to the event area. Implements will be returned to the athletes after competition.
PROTESTS:	Protests concerning the status or eligibility of any competitor must be made to the Games Committee prior to the commencement of the meet <u>or to the Referee during the meet. Protests relating to matters which develop during the conduct of the meet must be made to the Referee and be filed at once, but in any case not more than 30 minutes after the result has been announced. Written protests at the National level, protests MUST be filed on official protest forms and accompanied by a cash deposit of \$150.00.</u> The National Meet Director will cause the results of each event to be marked with the correct time and date. The Referee shall consider any and all available evidence, except photographic evidence other than official films or official videotapes. When the Referee renders his decision, there is still the right of appeal to the Jury of Appeals, whose decision is final. If the protest is denied, the cash deposit will be forfeited.
ATHLETE WARM-UP:	The warm up area will be located adjacent to the Clerk of Course tent.
COMPETITOR CHECK-IN:	Track athletes for running events will report to Clerk's tent, up to one hour before start of event. Field event athletes will report to the chief official of that event, no less than thirty minutes before the start of their event. Athletes who fail to report at that time will be subject to the participation guidelines outlined in the AAU Athletics Handbook. It is the athletes, coaches, and parents who are responsible to report on time, not meet management.
TENTS:	Tents/Tarps/Umbrellas will not be allowed in the grandstands. ESPN Wide World of Sports Track & Field Complex will provide some tenting for shading on or near the warm-up area of the track. Some individual tents will be allowed to be erected in a limited area. However, the tents cannot be staked down, and tent tops must be removed at night or during inclement weather.
MEDICAL:	A medical area will be stationed near the finish line of the track and staffed with athletic trainers. (No taping of ankles, except for injuries which occur during meet.)
FLUIDS:	Water stations will be located at all event areas, clerking tent, and at the finish areas of the track.

WEATHER:

The average high temperature in Orlando during the month of July is in the low 90's with high humidity. Chance of rain in the month of July is high and the following rain protocols will be observed:

- ☐ In the case of lightning or severe rain, all competition will be halted and all guests will be asked to report to the HP Field House or baseball stadium. The competition will resume if the weather clears or be postponed to the following day (in the case of very severe weather).
- ☐ In the case of light rain, competition will continue until safety becomes an issue, at which time competition will be halted and the above protocol will be observed.

COOLERS:

As part of security and safety measures by the Walt Disney Company, coolers will be allowed as follows at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World® Resort: (1) five gallon per team, and (1) one gallon per individual. Provisions are in place to handle medications, infant products, and special dietary foods. All coolers, bags, backpacks, and duffels will be subject to the existing security inspection process.

OTHER

The following items will not be allowed into ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at *Walt Disney World®* Resort:

- ☐ Lawn chairs and folding chairs
- ☐ Pets or animals, except service animals

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- ☐ This event is licensed 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 Youth Athlete membership must be obtained before the competition begins.
- ☐ BE PREPARED! Adult and Non Athlete memberships are no longer instant and cannot be applied for at event.
- ☐ Please allow at least 10 days for membership to be processed.
- ☐ Participants are encouraged to visit the AAU website www.aausports.org to obtain their membership



★ PLAN THE ULTIMATE DISNEY SPORTS VACATION ★

Did you know? AAU membership includes magical perks at *Walt Disney World*® Resort! From complete sports travel packages to special savings on admission to ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex and the world-class Disney theme parks, the ultimate Disney sports vacation awaits for AAU members.

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Take your sports vacation to the next level with incredible travel packages offered through Disney Sports Travel. Your team will enjoy all of the benefits of staying together at a themed Disney Resort Hotel, which includes complimentary resort and airport transportation, along with admission to the world-class Disney theme parks. In addition, Disney Sports Travel Counselors are your one-stop-shop for everything Disney, providing helpful vacation planning tips and information on *Walt Disney World*® Resort Theme Parks, dining, entertainment, recreation and more.

EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF THE DISNEY THEME PARKS

Step away from competition and onto thrill rides, take to the waves at water parks, and watch in awe of nighttime spectaculars with specially-priced *Walt Disney World*® Theme Park tickets. Your team can celebrate off the field with heart-pounding attractions like *Expedition Everest—Legend of the Forbidden Mountain*® at *Disney's Animal Kingdom*® Theme Park or *Rock 'N' Roller Coaster*® Starring Aerosmith at *Disney's Hollywood Studios*®. And now, The Force is strong at *Walt Disney World*® Resort with exciting *Star Wars*™ attractions, entertainment and shopping.

BENEFITS ABOUND FOR GROUPS AT DISNEY RESORT HOTELS

Planning accommodations for your team is a breeze with a new, online group reservation system. Book rooms at select Disney Resort Hotels and enjoy special benefits, including early access to *FastPass*+ planning; extended theme park hours; complimentary resort transportation and parking; and complimentary *MagicBands*.

SKIP THE LINE! PURCHASE EVENT ADMISSION IN ADVANCE

For guests who are not athletes or coaches participating in an event, an admission fee is required for entrance into ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. You now have the opportunity to purchase your ESPN Wide World of Sports admission passes in advance and have them either shipped or held at Will-Call. For the best value, take advantage of length-of-event admission tickets available for your event.

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