

50 Years Combined Events History

Hypomeeting Götzis / Vorarlberg, Austria

1974

This year, the athletics club LG Montfort applied to host the Austrian Combined Events Championships. Besides Sepp Zeilbauer's historic Austrian record of exactly 8,000 points, the Austrian Combined Events Championships held in July 1973 brought a remarkable spectator response.

One month later, the preliminary round of the Combined Events European Cup took place in Innsbruck. Sepp Zeilbauer impressed again with a new record. This inspired Armin Hug, Konrad Lerch, Elmar Oberhauser, and Werner Ströhle to organize an international athletics event in the Mösle Stadium in Götzis instead of the traditional Combined Events meeting in Schielleiten, which was no longer held.

ÖLV combined events coach Konrad Lerch's many international contacts with fellow coaches and athletes formed the basis for attractive entry lists and starting fields.

1975

Despite the adverse weather conditions (rain and a very low temperature), Burglinde Pollak of Germany achieved an annual world best performance in the pentathlon, and Petr Kratky of the Czech Republic won the decathlon.

The first meeting in Götzis was marked by the athletes' and team leaders' great enthusiasm about the organization and cordial atmosphere, as well as a strong financial outcome.



1976



The Volksbank bank could be won as the main sponsor, and subvention promises from the government, the federal state, the municipality of Götzis, and the ASVÖ caused the initiators of the meeting, Luis Fessler, Armin Hug, Konrad Lerch, Elmar Oberhauser and Werner Ströhle, to make another attempt.

Guido Kratschmer won the decathlon with a world-best annual score of 8,381 points (8,302 points, according to the 1985 table), setting a new German record. Sepp Zeilbauer achieved an Austrian record with 8,310 points (8,219).

In the pentathlon, Diane Jones of Canada celebrated a very close victory (six points) over Burglinde Pollak.

1977

Local hero Sepp Zeilbauer won the decathlon in 1977.

Daley Thompson of Great Britain set a junior world record with 7921 points.

Diane Jones-Konihowski of Canada won the pentathlon again.



1978



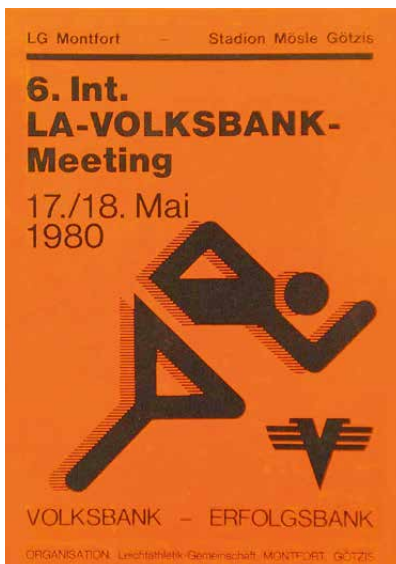
The winners this year were Guido Kratschmer and, for the first time, Jane Frederick from the United States.

1979

Thierry Dubois of France won the decathlon, and Jane Frederick of the USA won for the second time.



1980



Seven thousand spectators cheered on Daley Thompson of Great Britain as he broke the decathlon world record with 8,622 points. Ekaterina Smirnova of the USSR became one of the crowd favorites after her victory in the pentathlon.

Due to the boycott of the Olympic Games in Moscow by some countries, the 1980 meeting in Götzis remained the only major meeting of the best combined event athletes from East and West.

1981

In 1981, Sepp Zeilbauer secured his second meeting victory, and Jane Frederick emerged victorious in this year's inaugural women's heptathlon.



1982



Daley Thompson of Great Britain improves the decathlon world record in the Mösle Stadium for the second time, setting it at 8707 points. He wins by a large margin, ahead of his great rival, Jürgen Hingsen of West Germany.

Jane Frederick won for the fourth time in Götzis, setting a new US record at the same time.

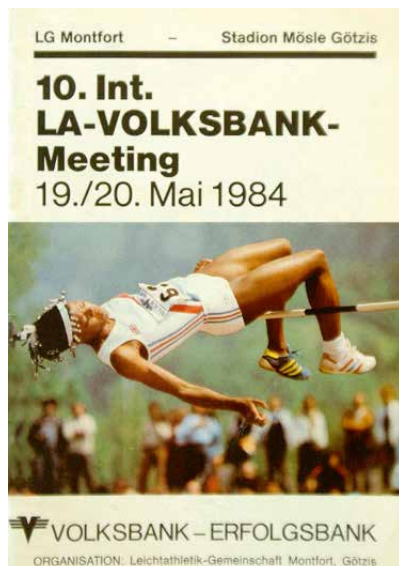
1983

It was a great honor that Federal President Dr. Rudolf Kirchschläger visited the meeting in Götzis this year.

Grigoriy Degtyaryov and Natalya Shubenkova, both from the Soviet Union, were the winners.



1984



Grigoriy Degtyaryov repeated his last year's victory with a world best and a new national record. His teammate Nadezhda Vinogradova took the lead in the heptathlon.

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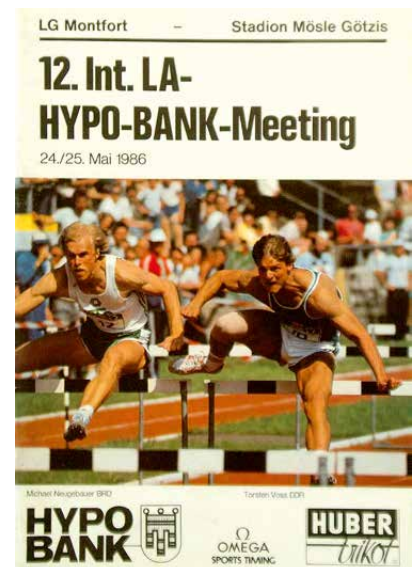
During the boycott of the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics by Eastern bloc countries, Götzis once again presented itself as a meeting point for Eastern and Western athletes.



1986

Ten years after his first success in Götzis, Guido Kratschmer won the decathlon for the third time, following his victories in 1976 and 1978.

In the heptathlon, women's athletics star Jackie Joyner-Kersey of the USA set new standards.



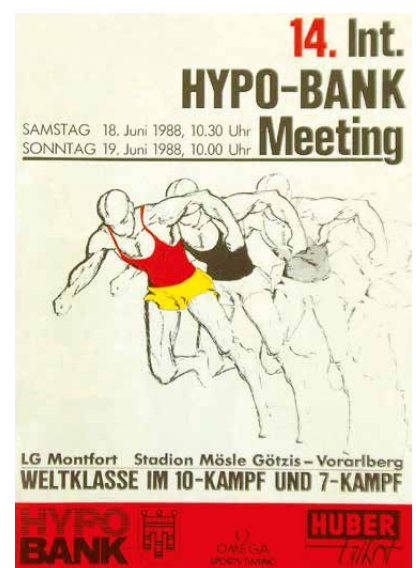
1987



In front of a record crowd of nearly 10,000 spectators, two loyal Mösle competitors and crowd favorites entered the winners' lists for the first time: Siegfried Wentz of Germany in the decathlon and Anke Behmer of East Germany in the heptathlon.

1988

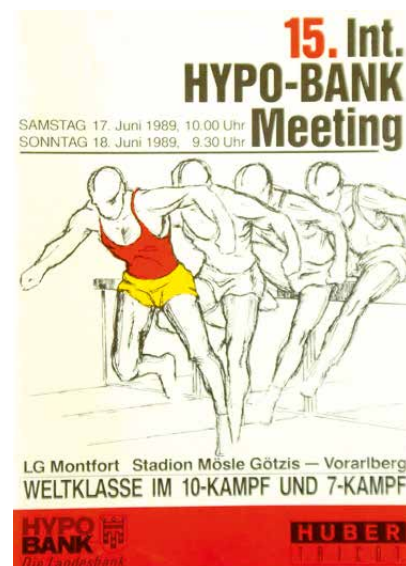
This year, the GDR athletes dominated, with standout performances by Uwe Freimuth in the decathlon and Anke Behmer in the heptathlon.



1989

Christian Plaziat of France won the 15th Hypobank Combined Events Meeting.

Anke Behmer emerged as the heptathlon winner for the third time.



1990



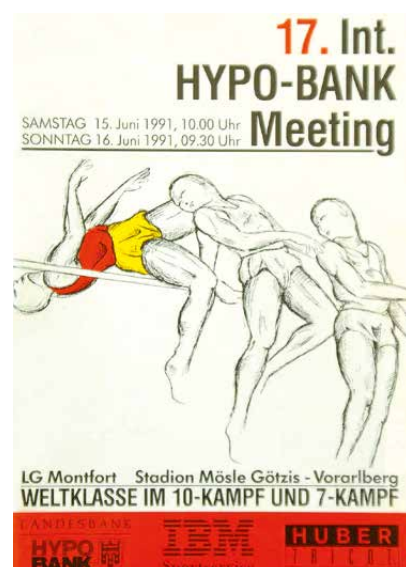
There were two days of perfect weather, 8,000 spectators, and two world-best performances by Sabine Braun of BRD and Christian Schenk of DDR. These were the highlights of the 16th Hypobank Combined Events Meeting.

Other highlights included visits from Federal Minister Dr. Hilde Hawlicek and the Governor of Vorarlberg, Dr. Martin Purtscher. Furthermore, the federal government, the state, and the municipality of Götzis announced that they will provide the necessary funds for the grandstand extension in the stadium.

1991

For the first time, athletes from Germany and the former GDR competed as a unified team. Based on the first day's performances, it seemed like records would be broken on Sunday. In reality, however, it rained heavily on the second day.

Despite the adverse conditions, Michael Smith (CAN) achieved a new annual world best performance with 8,427 points, and Sabine Braun (GER) achieved a new annual world best performance with 6,584 points.



1992

„Two great days! It couldn't have been better!“

That's how Sabine Braun, the German heptathlon world and European champion, summed it up after winning the Hypobank Meeting for the third time. Her 6,985 points set a new German record and are the best in the world this year.

Robert Zmelik from CSR achieved the same feat. He surpassed the previous national record with 8,627 points, entering the winners' lists with a new annual world-best performance.



1993



A long-cherished wish has come true! In a ceremonial act, the new press grandstand was opened, significantly improving the stadium's infrastructure.

More than 10,000 spectators set a „Mösle record“ during the meeting weekend that year. After Sabine Braun withdrew due to injury, Svetla Dimitrova became the first Bulgarian athlete to win in Götzis. Eduard Hämäläinen, the future vice world champion from Stuttgart, won the decathlon with a Belarusian record of 8,604 points.

1994

There were top performances in both the men's decathlon and the women's heptathlon:

With 8,735 points, Eduard Hämäläinen broke the stadium record set by the legendary Daley Thompson in 1982 by three points.

Sabine Braun of Germany becomes the Mösle winner for the fourth time with a world-best annual score of 6,665 points.



1995

Two new stars are rising in the world of combined events in Götzis.

Ghada Shouaa of Syria won the heptathlon sensationally, beating the top favorite, Sabine Braun. And Erki Nool (EST) won ahead of Eduard Hämäläinen, the favorite. Their scores of 6,715 and 8,575 respectively represent annual world bests and national records.



1996



Syrian world champion Ghada Shouaa and crowd favorite Mike Smith from Canada secured their victories at the 22nd Hypomeeting with annual world bests.

Shouaa, last year's winner, just missed the 7,000 mark with 6,942 points.

In his tenth appearance in Götzis, Smith achieved a new Canadian record of 8,626 points, returning him to the podium as the „King of the Decathletes“ for the first time since 1991.

1997

Drama in the Men's Decathlon: The top five athletes were separated by only 150 points. In the end, Eduard Hämäläinen, now competing for Finland, triumphed for the third time in Götzis. His score of 8,617 was the best of the year. Tomas Dvorak and Mike Smith followed in second and third place, respectively.

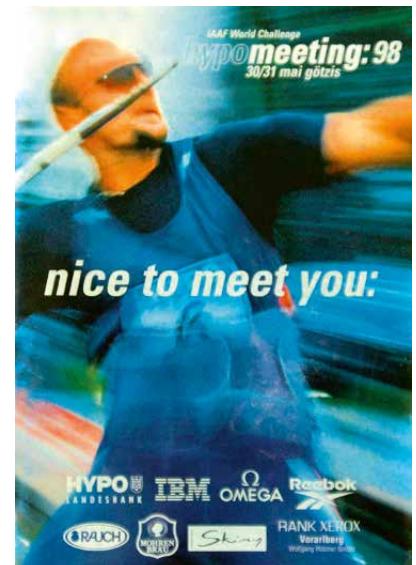
Denise Lewis of Great Britain won the women's heptathlon for the first time. Her 6,736 points set a new Commonwealth record!



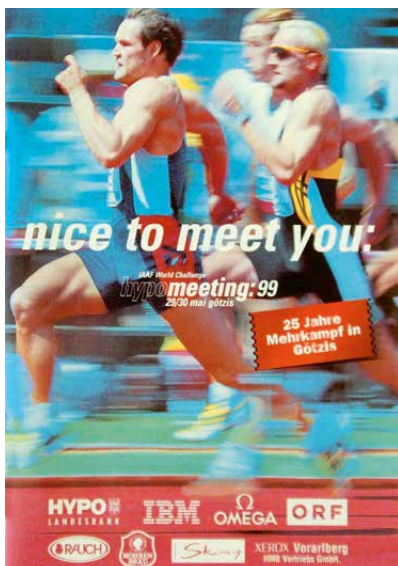
1998

What an excellent start to the new IAAF World Combined Events Challenge, the Champions League of combined events athletes, at the Hypomeeting Götzis!

With two world-best performances, plenty of excitement, beautiful weather, and 10,000 fans at the Mösle Stadium, Erki Nool – supported by many Estonian fans – won for the second time since 1995 with 8,672 points. Irina Belova won the heptathlon for the first time with 6,466 points.



1999



In the decathlon, Tomas Dvorak emerged as the winner for the first time at the 25th anniversary meeting with 8,738 points. The world champion from the Czech Republic beat the crowd favorite, Erki Nool, who took second place.

Fourteen years after world record holder Jackie Joyner-Kersey's victory, DeDee Nathan (6,577) secured another US victory in the women's heptathlon.

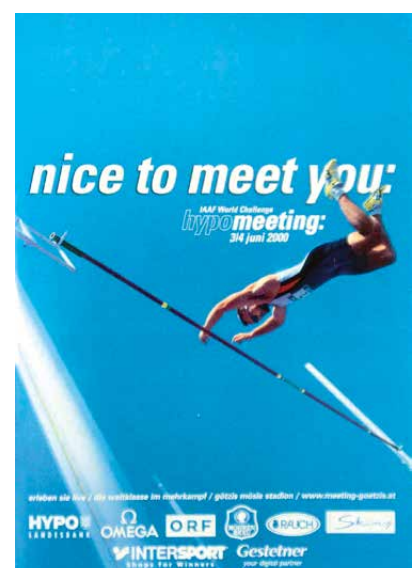
In bright weather, the anniversary also brought a reunion with the „Stars of Yesterday.“ Daley Thompson, Siegi Wentz, and Jane Frederick were enthusiastically celebrated by the audience, along with other great athletes from the meeting's long history.

2000

The millennium kicked off in the Mösle Stadium with the greatest decathlon in history. For the first time, 15 decathletes surpassed 8,000 points, and in an extremely competitive race, Tomas Dvorak won first place with 8,900 points. His training partner Roman Šebrle (8,757 points) finished second, earning his first podium finish at the Hypo Meeting Götzis.

Eunice Barber, the world champion from Sierra Leone who now competed for France, celebrated a great victory with 6,842 points.

With 15 athletes scoring over 6,000 points, this heptathlon also went down in history as one of the best of all time.

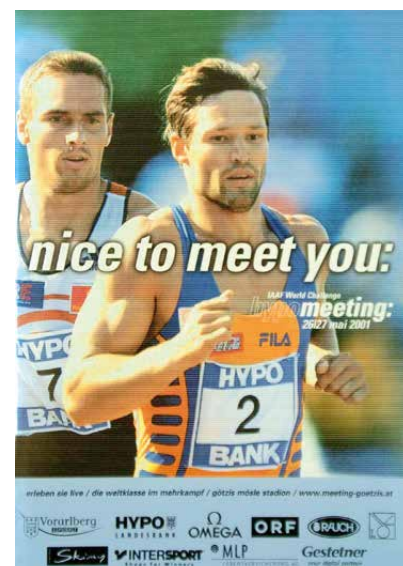


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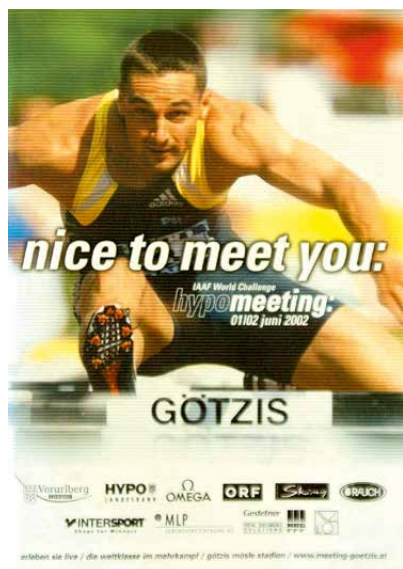
In picture-perfect weather and midsummer temperatures, Roman Šebrle became the first decathlete worldwide to break the combined events barrier and broke his compatriot Tomáš Dvořák's world record with an incredible 9,026 points!

The 11,000 spectators were overjoyed and enthusiastic. Sports history was made at this year's Hypomeeting Götzis, which became a highlight in international TV and press sports coverage. Šebrle thanked Attila Zsivoczky of Hungary, who set the necessary pace in the dramatic final 1500-meter run and made the world record possible.

Eunice Barber of France was celebrated as the heptathlon winner in the Mösle stadium for the second time in a row. A historic weekend full of combined events power and unforgettable performances came to an end!



2002



The weather gods were kind to this year's event, and Roman Šebrle repeated his victory from the previous year with 8,800 points. This score remained the annual world best until the end of the season.

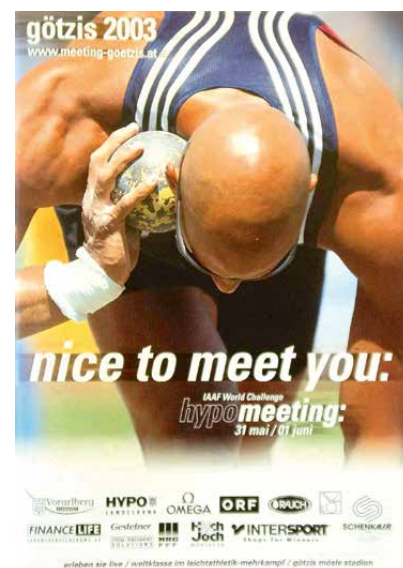
Tom Pappas achieved second place, the first US decathlete to do so since 1977.

The day of joy for the Americans was capped off by Shelia Burrell's victory in the heptathlon.

2003

Carolina Klüft of Sweden stole the show as the rising star of the heptathlon, becoming the crowd's favorite with 6,602 points in her first appearance in Götzis. Following the example of the future world champion, several young talents such as Simpson/GHA, Hellebaut/BEL, and Ruckstuhl/NED pushed their limits, achieving national records and personal bests.

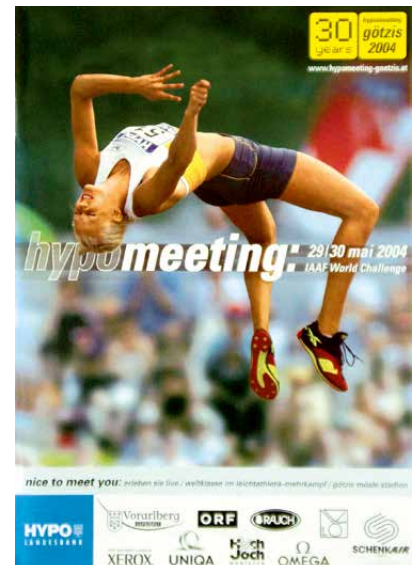
In the decathlon, Roman Šebrle became the first athlete to win the Hypomeeting Götzis three times in a row, relegating Tom Pappas to second place with 8,807 points. However, Pappas turned the tables at the World Athletics Championships in Paris, winning the gold medal ahead of Šebrle.



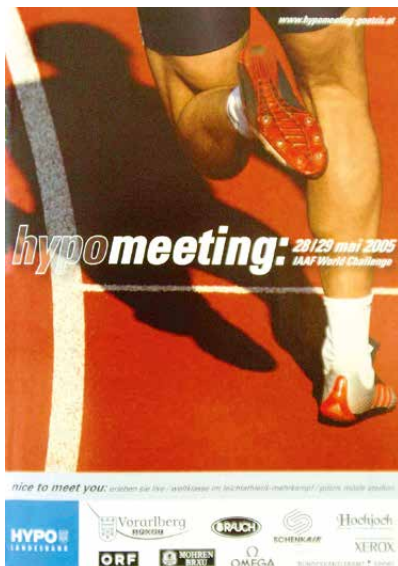
2004

This Mösele meeting was like something from a fairy tale. The 30th edition of the Götzis classic offered new superlatives. With 13,000 spectators in attendance, a record was set. The big winners of the 30th anniversary were the Swede Carolina Klüft (6,820 points) and the Czech Roman Šebrle (8,842 points), who both repeated their successes from the previous year.

Dream weather, dream scenery, and dream results! The magic 8,000-point mark was exceeded no less than twelve times in the decathlon, and the women achieved 6,000-point results just as often in the heptathlon.



2005



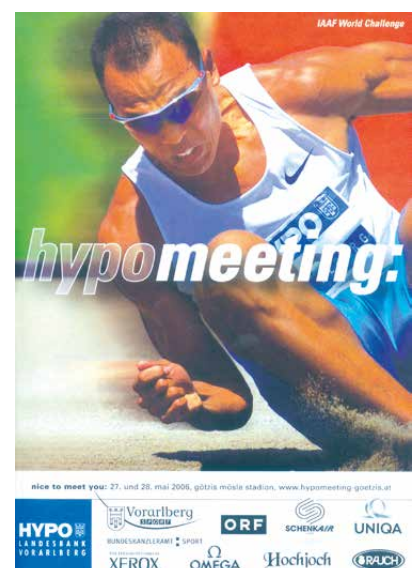
They did it again! Roman Šebrle and Carolina Klüft stole the show in Götzis. Šebrle, the world record holder, became the first athlete to win the world's most traditional combined events meeting five times in a row.

Klüft's 6,824 points were the fourth-best result in Götzis history, after Sabine Braun's 6,985 points, Ghada Shouaa's 6,942 points, and Eunice Barber's 6,842 points.

2006

Another American in the Mösele Stadium – and a winner. Bryan Clay was the first American decathlete to win the combined events in Götzis. With 8,677 points – a world best for the year – the 25-year-old stood atop the podium after ten events.

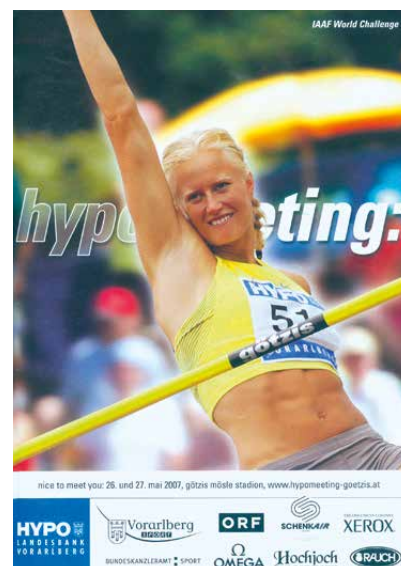
Carolina Klüft celebrated her latest heptathlon victory at the Mösele Stadium, once again demonstrating her dominance in the event.



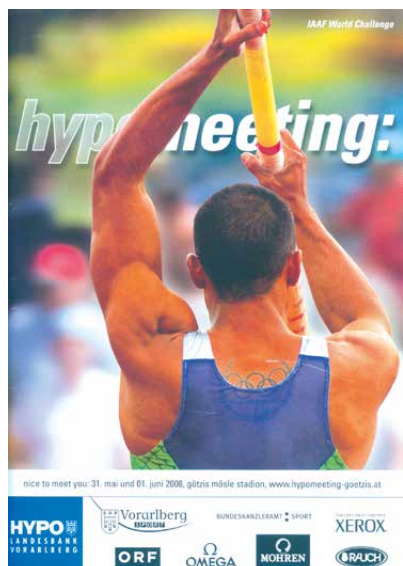
2007

Andrei Krauchanka came to the Hypomeeting Götzis ranked tenth, but left as the winner. The Belarusian secured his first win with 8,617 points, finishing ahead of favorites Roman Šebrle and Bryan Clay.

In the women's heptathlon, Carolina Klüft continued her winning streak: her fifth start in the Mösle Stadium and her fifth consecutive victory. This marked her 18th consecutive victory since July 2001.



2008



He had already placed second and third in the Mösle Stadium. At his fifth start, Dmitry Karpov claimed victory in his 19th decathlon. The Kazakhstani athlete won the exciting finish with seven points ahead of the Russian Aleksey Sysoyev.

After five years of Carolina Klüft, this year's heptathlon queen was Tatyana Chernova of Russia with 6,618 points.

2009

The 35th edition of the Hypo Meeting Götzis attracted around 10,000 visitors and crowned new champions in the decathlon and heptathlon. Michael Schrader (GER) had a brilliant final performance in the tenth event, running 21 seconds faster and gaining a small lead over Trey Hardee (USA). In the end, six points separated the top two. With 8,522 points, Schrader became the first German since Christian Schenk in 1990 to win the Mösle competition.

In the women's heptathlon, Nataliya Dobrynska beat Hanna Melnychenko and Lydmyla Yosypenko to win with 6,558 points. The Beijing Olympic champion clearly beat her compatriots with a strong finish in the 800-meters, winning her „favorite meeting.“



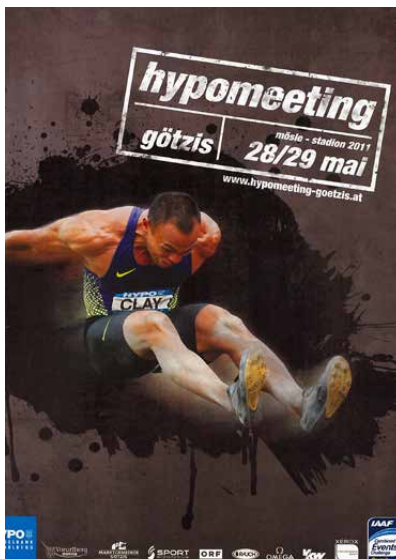
2010

After 2006, Bryan Clay of the United States won his second victory at the „combined events mecca“ in Götzis. Despite partly adverse weather conditions, he won the decathlon with 8,483 points.

In a strong heptathlon, the new crowd favorite from Great Britain, Jessica Ennis, left the entire competition behind, winning the traditional meeting for the first time with a personal best of 6,689 points.



2011



After an exciting competition under great conditions and in a wonderful atmosphere, the reigning world champion, Trey Hardee of the United States, celebrated his first decathlon victory at the traditional Hypomeeting in Götzis with a personal best of 8,689 points.

Jessica Ennis celebrated her second consecutive victory in the Mösle Stadium with an impressive 6,790 points and two personal bests in the 200-meters and the 800-meters. She relegated the world champion, Tatyana Chernova of Russia, and the 2011 European indoor champion, Antoinette Nana-Djimou of France, to second and third place, respectively.

2012

Jessica Ennis has become the absolute superstar of the heptathlon, and is therefore the legitimate successor to Carolina Klüft. Accompanied by a troop of British sports journalists, the British athlete won the heptathlon at the Hypomeeting Götzis with 6,906 points. She also won the Olympic Games in London that same year in an impressive manner.

He was the surprise winner of 2012: Hans van Alphen of the Netherlands won the decathlon in Götzis with 8,519 points, narrowly beating Eelco Sinthnicolaas (NED) by only 13 points after an exciting competition.



2013

Despite the poor weather conditions, which were similar to those of the first meeting in 1975, the 39th Hypomeeting took place and ended with a Canadian double victory. At her first appearance in the Mösle Stadium, Brianne Theisen won the heptathlon with 6,376 points. And Damian Warner was the second Canadian athlete to make it to the podium since Mike Smith's two victories in 1991 and 1996.

Roman Šebrle, one of the greatest combined events athletes, ended his active career at the Hypomeeting this year, where he set the world record in 2001 and became the first decathlete to surpass 9,000 points with 9,026.



2014



40 Years of Hypomeeting: At this anniversary event, Trey Hardee of the United States won the decathlon for the second time in an exciting competition.

Austrian athlete Dominik Distelberger surpassed 8,000 points for the first time, achieving a personal best of 8,168 points. Austrian junior decathlete Dominik Siedlaczek won the rookie award with a personal best.

With 11 personal bests, three new national records, and 51 personal bests in the individual disciplines, the heptathlon was world-class once again. At her first appearance in Götzis, the young Katarina Johnson-Thompson (GBR) won the heptathlon at the Hypomeeting.

2015

The 41st edition of the Hypomeeting in Götzis was once again an event of superlatives, with an incredible response from the international press. Eleven TV stations from Austria, Germany, Great Britain, the Netherlands, Belgium, France, and Japan covered the event live from Mösle Stadium. Eighty-five journalists and photographers from ten nations reported from the Combined Events Mecca, Götzis. Unfortunately, world record holder Ashton Eaton had to cancel his decathlon start in Götzis on Saturday morning due to injury, much to the disappointment of spectators and organizers.

Despite the excellent conditions, Kai Kazmirek secured the winner's trophy for the first time and as the first German since 2009 with 8,462 points. Jessica Ennis-Hill made her comeback in the heptathlon after her maternity break. However, Brianne Theisen-Eaton (CAN) won with 6,808 points, securing her second victory at the Hypomeeting Götzis.



2016

The decathlon got off to an extraordinary start: Damian Warner sprinted the 100 meters in 10.15 seconds, the fastest time ever in a decathlon. Thus, he set a new world record for the 100-meters in a decathlon. Ultimately, he secured his second victory at the Hypomeeting Götzis with 8,523 points, finishing ahead of French competitor Kevin Mayer and last year's winner, Kai Kazmirek.

In the heptathlon, Brianne Theisen-Eaton won the competition for the third time with a new annual world best of 6,765 points. This was the second Canadian double victory for top athletes Damian Warner and Brianne Theisen-Eaton in the Mösle Stadium since 2013.

Sarah Lagger (AUT) was named Rookie of the Year in the heptathlon.



2017



In one of the greatest heptathlons of all time, Belgian athlete Nafissatou Thiam secured an extraordinary victory. With an impressive 7,013 points, she narrowly missed the European record of 7,032 points held by Carolina Klüft. However, she joined the elite group of athletes who have scored over 7,000 points, becoming the fourth athlete to do so in Götzis.

Three new stadium records were achieved in the heptathlon: Nadine Visser of the Netherlands ran the 100-meter hurdles in 12.78 seconds, Nafissatou Thiam won the high jump with a height of 1.98 meters, and Thiam also threw the javelin 59.32 meters. The expert audience in Götzis cheered on these impressive performances. Géraldine Ruckstuhl achieved a new Swiss record in the javelin throw, the second-best throw.

With his decathlon victory and a new annual world best of 8,591 points, Canadian crowd favorite Damian Warner entered the winner's list of the Hypomeeting Götzis/Vorarlberg for the third time. He was followed by Eelco Sinthnicolaas of the Netherlands and Rico Freimuth of Germany in second and third place, respectively.

Stadium records were also set in the decathlon. Meeting winner Damian Warner equaled his hurdles best of 13.54 seconds on the new track. Gaël Quérin of France entered the list of stadium record holders in the 1500-meter race.

These excellent results allowed the Hypomeeting Götzis/Vorarlberg to take first place in the IAAF Combined Events Challenge 2017 meeting ranking with 120,333 points, ahead of the World Championships in London.

After extensive renovations supported by the federal government, the state of Vorarlberg, and the municipality of Götzis, the new running track successfully passed its first test at the 43rd edition of the Hypomeeting Götzis/Vorarlberg.

2018

Another excellent Hypomeeting with superlative performances took place on May 25 and 26, 2018.

Belgian Olympic and world champion Nafissatou Thiam impressively confirmed her supremacy in the heptathlon. With 6,806 points and a new world best this year, she won for the second time, after 2017, finishing ahead of Yorgelis Rodríguez (CUB) and Erica Bougard (USA). Each of them finished the heptathlon with a personal best.

The meeting winner's high jump was sensational: with a jump of 2.01 meters, she set a new world record in the heptathlon and a new meeting record in the high jump.



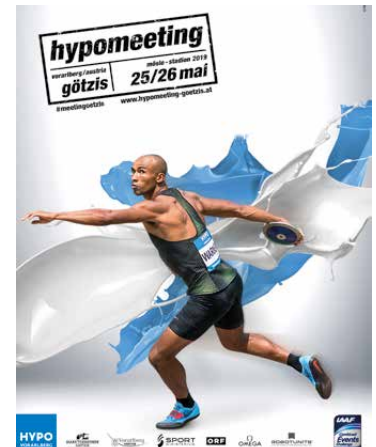
Damian Warner won the decathlon for the fourth time. He increased his personal best to 8,795 points, setting a new Canadian national record. This result also set a new world best for the year in the decathlon. The other podium spots at the Hypomeeting Götzis 2018 went to Maichel Uibo (EST) and Pieter Braun (NED), who also achieved personal bests.

After 2001 and 2017, Hypomeeting Götzis/Vorarlberg 2018 took the top spot in the IAAF Combined Events Challenge with a total score of 118,569 points. This result puts it ahead of the European Championships in Berlin and confirms the event's international standing.

2019

The weekend got off to an extraordinary start with Damian Warner (CAN) setting a new world record in the 100-meter decathlon with a time of 10.12 seconds. The first-time starters at the Hypomeeting also showed impressive performances this year, with numerous surprises.

In the heptathlon, favorite Katarina Johnson-Thompson (GBR) emerged victorious. She won with an impressive 6,813 points. Second place went to Laura Ikauniece (LAT) with 6,476 points, and third place went to Xénia Krizsán (HUN) with 6,469 points.



Warner won the decathlon for the fifth time in Götzis with 8,711 points. Chapeau! Lindon Victor (GRN) took second place with 8,473 points, and Maichel Uibo (EST) took third with 8,353 points.

The German team also delivered remarkable performances: four athletes found themselves in the top 10 at the end: Niklas Kaul (fourth), Kai Kazmirek (sixth), Tim Nowak (seventh), and Manuel Eitel (ninth). Sophie Weißenberg finished eighth (6,293 points) in her Götzis heptathlon debut.

2020



For the first time in 45 years, a Hypomeeting had to be canceled.

Safety and health come first. Due to the global Coronavirus pandemic, the organizers made the difficult decision in March 2020 to cancel the 2020 meeting.

2021

The fact that the pandemic was still in full swing in spring 2021 turned the planning of the 2021 Hypomeeting pretty much upside down. After several months of intensive organization and planning various scenarios concerning hygiene and safety measures, the 46th Hypomeeting took place on May 29/30 in Götzis, Vorarlberg, and was perfectly organized.

Shortly before the Olympic Games in Tokyo this summer, the athletes were grateful to finally compete on a large stage with international competitors again. Despite a maximum permitted number of 500 spectators per day, Hypomeeting 2021 was a huge success.



After an outstanding start in the decathlon, Damian Warner (CAN) continuously extended his lead. After the first day, he led by 322 points, a position he maintained until the end, securing his sixth victory in Götzis. Warner delivered an exceptional competition from the first event: he raced to 1,062 points in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.14 seconds and set a new meeting record and World Combined Best performance in the long jump with an incredible 8.28 meters. After the first day and five events, Warner was on track to reach 9,000 points. There was even speculation about a possible new meeting or world record — the first since Roman Šebrle broke the 9,000-point barrier in Götzis 20 years ago. Ultimately, Warner won the decathlon in Götzis for the sixth time with an impressive 8,995 points.

Annie Kunz (USA), who was leading in the heptathlon after the first day, surprised herself with her performance until she had to withdraw from the competition without a valid attempt in the long jump. After the main favorite Erica Bougard (USA) also had to end her competition early after an injury in the high jump, Anouk Vetter (NED) briefly took over the lead. But after seven events and several lead changes, Xénia Krizsán (HUN) prevailed with 6,651 points and a new personal record in the heptathlon, followed by Anouk Vetter (NED) and Kendell Williams (USA).

2022



Kendell Williams (USA) kicked off the fireworks with a time of 13.13 seconds over the hurdles. Shortly afterwards, the decathlon king of the last six years, Damian Warner (CAN), followed suit and sprinted the 100 meters in 10.14 seconds, a feat he himself had never achieved before in the decathlon. Shortly afterwards, there was another fireworks display: Simon Ehammer (SUI) took his first attempt at the long jump. It was to be his only one. Faster than all his competitors before him, the young Swiss sprinted towards the take-off board. He hit the board and sailed through the air like no decathlete before him. 8.45m, a world record in a decathlon, Swiss record and

the world lead of the year in the long jump. A challenge to Damian Warner, who had to admit defeat in the long jump with 7.93m. After very solid performances by both top athletes, only two points separated them after the first day. Ehammer stayed overnight with 4636 points and Warner with 4634 points.

In the women's competition, the Polish Adrianna Sulek showed particularly impressive performances. After a great start in the hurdles, she excelled with three personal bests in the high jump (1.92m), shot put (13.79 m) and in the final 200m race (23.86 sec), leading the competition with 3940 points, almost 100 points ahead of Olympic silver medalist Anouk Vetter (NED).

On day 2, Damian Warner won in a very fast 13.48 seconds, just a few tenths ahead of the two Swiss athletes Simon Ehammer and Finley Gaio, who thus also placed second and third behind the Canadian in the overall rankings. A little later, Lindon Victor (GRN) threw the discus an incredible 54 meters and 85 centimeters. Almost a meeting record. And with it, the next exclamation mark! In the women's long jump, "far" was also the motto. There was jumping, flying, and cheering. In Group A, three athletes impressed with jumps over 6.40m. Somewhat overshadowed by them, the athletes in Group B surpassed themselves: five new personal bests. One of them was for the young Vorarlberg athlete Chiara-Belinda Schuler (AUT), who jumped 6.02 meters.

The Hypomeeting 2022 was set to remain stormy. After a flurry of superb performances, a storm brewed over the stadium. However, gusts of wind and the first raindrops could not prevent Maicel Uibo from Estonia from jumping 5.30 m in the pole vault. In addition, Damian Warner, Simon Ehammer, and Finley Gaio equaled their personal bests and put on a great show for the packed crowd at the Mösle Stadium.

In the women's javelin throw, Anouk Vetter (NED) smashed her personal best and crowned herself the new Hypomeeting record holder in the javelin throw with 59.81 m. This allowed her to pull away from her competitors before the final 800m race. Then the weather turned wet in the stadium: the temperature dropped by 11 degrees, and wind and rain set in. But even that didn't faze Holly Mills (GBR), who stormed ahead in the second 800m race and ran an impressive 2:08 min to win the event. Germany's Vanessa Grimm managed to knock Switzerland's Annik Kälin off the podium with her spirited performance in the 800m race.

Adrianna Sulek (POL) took second place with a total of 6429 points. Anouk Vetter crowned herself the 47th winner of the Hypomeeting with an outstanding 6693 points, a new personal record, national record and world lead performance of the year.

Despite the cold and wet conditions, Niklas Kaul (GER) hurled his javelin 69.29m in the subsequent javelin throw. The world champion's comeback had begun. Simon Ehammer threw a personal best and kept Lindon Victor at bay with a seven-point lead. Damian Warner moved inexorably toward his seventh Hypomeeting title. His consistency at the highest level in every single discipline of the decathlon is unmatched. And as if the weather gods had taken pity on the decathletes, the clouds parted shortly before the final 1500m run. The storm subsided. The decathletes gave their last ounce of strength over the three and three-quarter laps. Niklas Kaul won this endurance test in 4:16 minutes, ahead of Dutchman Rik Taam (NED), who ran to a new personal best of 8246 points to finish in 6th place. Germany's Niklas Kaul and Kai Kazmirek finished the competition in fourth and fifth place, thereby meeting the European Championship standard for Munich. An exhausted Simon Ehammer dramatically saved himself to finish third. Ahead of him, an incredibly consistent Lindon Victor secured second place with impressive throws and a total score of 8447 points. Damian Warner, who was never in danger, ran to another triumph with a total of 8797 points in 4:38 minutes.

2023

Damian Warner (CAN) was still in the lead at the end of day 1, but after the discus throw on day 2, Pierce LePage (CAN) took the lead in the decathlon. This forced Warner to respond in the pole vault. However, the seven-time Hypomeeting winner was unable to regain the lead after a weak pole vault. With only 4.50 meters, he paved the way for Pierce LePage to his first victory in Götzis, who not only cleared 5.00 meters with the pole, but also delivered a fantastic javelin throw (63.09 meters). With a final score of 8700 points, the Hypomeeting spectators celebrated a new and once again Canadian winner, this time with Pierce LePage.



While the decathlon was further away from the legendary 9000-point mark this year, the heptathlon missed the 7000-point mark by a hair's breadth. This was perhaps only because Anna Hall (USA) showed a slight weakness and, with “only” 43.08 meters in the javelin throw, put herself at a disadvantage for the final 800-meter run. And yet, she still showed her incredible potential in this discipline. With a time of 2:02.97 minutes, she almost broke the meeting record and also set a new personal best of 6988 points. With two days of phenomenal performances, she not only secured her first Hypomeeting victory, but also won the hearts of the record crowd of around 7,000 athletics fans per day on this competition weekend.

Another special highlight of this year's edition: Hypomeeting was the first major sporting event in Austria to be awarded the “Green Event” sustainability seal!



2024

In the men's decathlon, defending champion Pierce LePage (CAN) was unable to compete due to injury. His compatriot Damian Warner (CAN), already a seven-time Götzis winner, competed in Götzis for the eleventh time and showed his determination to claim an eighth victory right from the start. He already made his mark in the 100-meters with an incredible time of 10.20 seconds. However, Switzerland's Simon Ehammer took the lead in the decathlon after the long jump with 8.25 meters, putting him just ahead of Warner with 4601 points after the first day. On the second day, the Canadian

closed the gap with a strong 110-meter hurdles run (13.45 seconds) before throwing the discus almost nine meters further than Ehammer and pulling away decisively. After eight disciplines, Warner was clearly in the lead; Ehammer ultimately withdrew from the final 1500-meter run, allowing Warner to secure his eighth victory in Götzis. Surprisingly, the young Dutchman Sven Roosen took second place with 8517 points, followed by Johannes Erm from Estonia (8462 points) – both of whom also secured the Olympic standard for Paris.

In the women's heptathlon, last year's winner Anna Hall (USA) was also unable to compete due to health reasons (injury). Her compatriot Michelle Atherley (USA), on the other hand, made a magnificent debut in Götzis with 12.71 seconds in the 100 m hurdles and 1.80 m in the high jump, initially taking the lead. But Anouk Vetter (NED), the Götzis 2022 winner, fought her way to the front thanks to a strong shot put (15.37 m) and a solid 200m run. On the second day, both Vetter and Annik Kälin (SUI) made the most of their strongest disciplines: Kälin won the long jump with 6.70 m, while Vetter dominated the javelin throw with 57.91m. After the final 800 m race, which Michelle Atherley won impressively in 2:08.55, the rankings were decided: Anouk Vetter (NED) won the Hypomeeting with 6642 points ahead of Annik Kälin (SUI, 6506) and Michelle Atherley (USA, 6465) – Vetter's second victory in Götzis.

This year, the Hypomeeting Götzis was also awarded the "Athletics For A Better World" Gold Standard by World Athletics for the first time. This award for a sustainable and future-oriented sporting event at the "Gold" level (at least 80% or 96 points of the ABW standard fulfilled) was only awarded to Weltklasse Zürich this year, next to Hypomeeting Götzis.

2025

The 50th Hypomeeting anniversary from May 31 to June 1, 2025 made history – both athletically and emotionally. In front of a record crowd of well over 7,000 enthusiastic spectators per day, the athletes celebrated combined events in its most beautiful form. The spectators cheered the athletes to peak performances and the atmosphere in the Mösle Stadium reached its absolute peak at the anniversary edition.

In the decathlon, the young Norwegian Sander Skotheim impressively prevailed at the end of the two days of competition: with 8909 points, a new personal best and national record, he dominated the competition – as he had done several times this season – and secured an impressive victory at the anniversary Hypomeeting. Kyle Garland (USA) finished the competition in second place with 8626 points, while Simon Ehammer (SUI) and Niklas Kaul (GER) shared the third place with equally 8575 points – a thrilling duel that kept fans on the edge of their seats until the very last discipline.

Anna Hall (USA) made sporting history in the women's heptathlon: after a thrilling 800m race that had the entire stadium on its feet and cheering, she finished her heptathlon, which was also her comeback after her injury break, with an incredible 7032 points. Not only did she set a new meeting record, she also moved up to second place in the all-time world rankings behind Jackie Joyner-Kersey (USA). The second-best heptathlon of all time – what a gift for the 50th anniversary of the Hypomeeting! But behind Anna Hall, Sofie Dokter (NED, 6576 points) in second place and Martha Araujo (COL, 6475 points) in third place also shone bright this weekend, both with new personal bests and Araujo also with a new area record (South America).

The weather gods certainly played their part in this historic athletics weekend, providing fabulous weather for this combined events weekend – another gift for the organizers.



Fans were also able to revel in nostalgia and athletics history with the “former” stars of the combined events scene, who had accepted the Hypomeeting’s invitation to its 50th anniversary. Bryan Clay, Uwe Freimuth, Guido Kratschmer, Erki Nool, Michael Smith, Anke Behmer, Sabine Braun, Nataliya Dobrynska, Jane Frederick, Diane Jones-Konihowski, Denise Lewis, Ghada Shouaa, and even the two very first Hypomeeting winners, Petr Kratky and Burglinde Pollak, met again in Götzis for its 50th anniversary.

Numerous activities before and during the anniversary weekend – such as the new Hypomeeting song, the new edition of the Hypomeeting statistics book, artistic graffiti commemorating the 50th anniversary in the underpass in front of the stadium, a flag parade at the start of the first day of competition, and a gala evening at the end of the weekend – rounded off the anniversary meeting in style.

The 50th Hypomeeting was an emotional firework – carried by records, passion, and an audience that made the fascination of combined events truly evident throughout the entire Hypomeeting week.

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