

# TRACK GUYS GONE BAD

Professional ballplayers with world-class track & field background

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[\* Track & Field News world-ranked athlete]

[\* Pro Football Hall of Famer/NFL]

- \* Jim Thorpe: 110mH 15.0 (1912, WB)  
HJ 196 (1912); 4th OG 1912  
LJ 716 (1909); 7th OG 1912  
Pen 1st OG 1912  
Dec 8412 (1912; WR); 1st OG 1912  
*MLB 1913-19*  
*APFA 1920-21*  
*NFL 1922-28*
- \* Jim Rosenberger: 100y 9.8 (1911); 1st AAU 1910  
220y 3rd AAU 1913  
MileR WR 1911/IAAC  
*NFL 1921*
- \* Frank Coyle: PV 381 (1911); 1st AAU 1911, 2nd FOT 1912, 8th OG 1912  
*NFL 1924-26*
- \* Sol Butler: 220y 22.0 (1917/wl-2)  
LJ 752 (1920), 755w (1919); 1st AAU 1920, 1st FOT 1920, 7th OG 1920,  
3rd AAU 1922  
*NFL 1923-1926*  
*NNL 1925*
- \* Harold "Brick" Muller: HJ 193 (1921); 3rd AAU 1920, 2nd FOT 1920, 2nd OG 1920,  
3rd NCAA 1922  
LJ 722 (1922); 2nd NCAA 1922  
*NFL 1926*
- \* Gene Vidal: Dec 6462 (1922); 7th OG 1920, 3rd AAU 1922; *Gore Vidal's father.*  
*APFA 1921*
- \* Mort Kaer: LJ 696 (1924)  
Pen 2nd FOT 1924, 5th OG 1924  
*NFL 1931*
- \* Jim Bausch: Dec 8462 (1932; WR), 1st AAU 1932, 1st OG 1932  
*NFL 1933*
- \* Glenn Morris: 110mH 14.6 (1936)  
400mH 54.4 (1934); 3rd AAU 1935  
Dec 7900 (1936; WR), 7880 (1936; WR); 1st FOT 1936, 1st OG 1936  
*NFL 1940*
- \* Syl Apps: PV 400 (1936); 1st BCG 1934, 6th OG 1936  
*NHL 1936-48 (HOF)*
- \* Jack Torrance: SP 17.40 (1934, WR), 16.89 (1934, WR), 16.80 (1934, WR);  
1st NCAA 1933-34, 1st AAU 1933-35, 1st FOT 1936,  
5th OG 1936  
DT 48.11 (1934)  
*NFL 1939-40*
- \* Sam Francis: SP 16.30 (1937); 4th AAU 1936, 2nd FOT 1936, 4th OG 1936,  
1st NCAA 1937  
*NFL 1937-40*
- \* Jackie Robinson: LJ 778 (1938); 3rd AAU 1938, 1st NCAA 1940  
*MLB 1947-56 (HOF)*
- \* Al Blozis: SP 17.22 (1941); 1st NCAA 1940-42, 1st AAU 1940-42  
DT 53.00 (1942); 2nd AAU 1940, 2nd NCAA 1941  
*NFL 1942-44*
- \* Elmore Harris: 200m 21.2 (1945); 3rd AAU 1946  
400m 46.3 (1946); 1st AAU 1944, 1946  
440y 47.8 (1946); 1st NCAA 1944  
220yH 1st NCAA 1944  
600y-i 1st AAU 1945-46  
*A AFC 1947*
- \* Fred Sheffield: HJ 203 (1943); 1st NCAA 1943 & 1945, 1st AAU 1945  
LJ 3rd NCAA 1944-45  
*BAA 1946-47*

- \* Claude "Buddy" Young: 100y 9.6 (1944), 9.4w (1947); 1st NCAA 1944  
100m 10.5 (1943); 1st AAU 1944  
220y 21.4 (1944); 1st NCAA 1944  
LJ 742 (1944); 2nd NCAA 1944  
*AAFC 1947-49*  
*NFL 1950-55*
- \* Emmanuel McDonald Bailey: 100y 9.5 (1949)  
100m 10.2 (1951, WR); 6th OG 1948, 3rd OG 1952  
200m 20.9 (1950); 4th OG 1952  
400mR 4th OG 1952/GB  
*Rugby League 1953 [One game]*
- \* Clyde Scott: 100y 9.6 (1948), 9.4w (1948)  
110mH 14.0 (1948), 13.7w (1948); 1st NCAA 1948, 3rd FOT 1948,  
2nd OG 1948  
*NFL 1949-53*
- \*\* Ollie Matson: 100y 9.6 (1948); 4th NCAA 1951  
200m 21.3 (1952); 2nd AAU 1952  
400m 46.6 (1952); 3rd AAU 1948, 2nd NCAA 1952, 3rd FOT 1952,  
3rd OG 1952  
1600mR 2nd OG 1952/USA  
*NFL 1952-66*
- \* Billy Anderson: 120yH 13.8 (1949); 4th FOT 1948  
*NFL 1953-54*
- \* Bob Boyd: 100y 9.5 (1950); 1st NCAA 1950  
*NFL 1950-57*
- \* Wilford White: Dec 6978 (1951/wl-11); 5th AAU 1950  
*NFL 1951-52*
- \* Jesse Thomas: 120yH 14.3 (1951/wl-11); 5th NCAA 1951  
LJ 737 (1951/wl-19)  
*NFL 1955-57*  
*AFL 1960*
- \* Val Joe Walker: 120yH 14.1 (1951); 3rd NCAA 1952  
*NFL 1953-57*
- \* Clifton Anderson: SP 16.49 (1951/wl-9); 5th NCAA 1951  
DT 50.71 (1951/wl-9); 3rd NCAA 1951  
*NFL 1952-53*
- \* Alex Burl: 100y 9.5 (1952); 5th NCAA 1954  
100m 10.4 (1956); 2nd AAU 1952  
220y 5th NCAA 1954  
*NFL 1956*
- \* Eddie Macon: 200m 6th AAU 1952  
400m 46.9 (1950); 4th AAU 1952  
440y 47.1 (1951)  
*NFL 1952-53*  
*CFL 1954-59*  
*AFL 1960*
- \* Milt Campbell: 100y 9.6 (1953)  
100m 10.5 (1953); 7th AAU 1952  
120yH 13.4 (1957; WR); 1st NCAA 1955, 1st AAU 1955,  
4th FOT 1956  
Dec 7937 (1956); 2nd OG 1952, 1st AAU 1953, 1st OG 1956  
*NFL 1957*  
*CFL 1957-64*
- \* Emery Barnes: HJ 204 (1952); 1st NCAA 1952, 2nd AAU 1952, 4th FOT 1952  
*NFL 1956*  
*CFL 1962-64*
- \* Bob Carey: SP 16.45 (1952/wl-15); 3rd NCAA 1951  
*NFL 1952-58*
- \* Walter Davis: HJ 212 (1953; WR); 1st OG 1952, 1st NCAA 1952, 1st AAU 1952-55  
*NBA 1953-58*
- \* Doug Atkins: HJ 198 (1952/wl-25)  
*NFL 1953-69*
- \* Carroll Hardy: LJ 741 (1954)  
*NFL 1955*  
*MLB 1958-67*
- \* Jon Arnett: LJ 754 (1954), 762w (1956); 6th AAU 1954, 2nd NCAA 1956  
*NFL 1957-66*
- \* Tom Jones: SP 18.00 (1955); 1st NCAA 1954, 2nd AAU 1954-55  
*NFL 1955*
- \* Roosevelt Grier: SP 17.15 (1955/wl-9); 5th NCAA 1954-55, 6th AAU 1955  
DT 51.97 (1955/wl-20)  
*NFL 1955-66*
- \* Pete Retzlaff: DT 51.81 (1955/wl-21)  
*NFL 1956-66*
- \* Carl Vereen: DT 53.48 (1956/wl-18); 3rd NCAA 1955  
*NFL 1957*
- \* Jim Brown: Dec 5th AAU 1955  
*NFL 1957-65*

- \* Ray Norton: 100y 9.3 (1958, 1959, 1960; WR); 5th AAU 1956, 1st NCAA 1959  
100m 10.1 (1959; WR); 1st AAU 1959-60, 1st PAG 1959, 6th OG 1960  
200m 20.5 (1960; WR), 20.6 (1960; WR), 20.81 (1960); 1st AAU 1959-60,  
1st PAG 1959, 6th OG 1960  
220y 20.6 (1960; WR); 1st NCAA 1959  
400mR 1st PAG 1959/USA  
*NFL 1960-61*
- \* Glenn Davis: 100m 10.3 (1958)  
200m 21.0 (1958)  
220y 21.1 (1958); 2nd AAU 1958  
400m 45.5 (1958)  
440y 45.7 (1958; WR); 1st NCAA 1958  
400mH 49.2 (1958; WR), 49.5 (1956; WR), 49.51 (1960); 1st OG 1956,  
1st AAU 1960, 1st OG 1960  
440yH 49.9 (1958); 1st AAU 1956-58  
1600mR 1st & WR OG 1960/USA  
*NFL 1960-61*
- \* Bill Russell: HJ 206 (1956/wl-11)  
*NBA 1956-69 (HOF)*
- \* Colin Ridgeway: HJ 215 (1962); 7th OG 1956; *first Oz in the NFL.*  
*NFL 1965*
- \* Lenny Lyles: 100y 9.5 (1957); 5th AAU 1957  
220y 21.3 (1957); 4th NCAA 1957, 6th AAU 1957  
*NFL 1958-69*
- \* Angelo Coia: 100y 9.6 (1957); 7th AAU 1958  
220y 21.1 (1958/wl-11)  
400m 46.7 (1960)  
*NFL 1960-66*
- \* Charles Hennigan: 440y 47.2 (1957)  
*AFL 1960-66*
- \* C.R. Roberts: LJ 755 (1957)  
*NFL 1959-62*
- \* Eugene White: 100y 9.4 (1958)  
*AFL 1962*
- \* Billy Cannon: 100y 9.5 (1958/wl-10), 9.4w (1959)  
*AFL 1960-69*  
*NFL 1970*
- \* John Farrington: 100y 9.5 (1958/wl-10)  
*NFL 1960-63*
- \* Bobby Mitchell: 100y 9.6 (1958)  
LJ 754 (1958); 2nd NCAA 1958  
*NFL 1958-68*
- \* Willie Davis: LJ 769 (1958/wl-10)  
*MLB 1960-79*
- \* Marlin McKeever: SP 17.31 (1959/wl-25)  
*NFL 1961-73*
- \* Ted Woods: 200m 20.7 (1960); 5th AAU 1960  
400m 45.7 (1960); 1st NCAA 1960, 4th FOT 1960  
*CFL 1964-69*
- \* Jimmy Johnson: 120yH 13.9 (1960); 1st NCAA 1960, 5th AAU 1960; *Rafer's kid brother.*  
LJ 756 (1959/wl-29)  
*NFL 1961-76*
- \* Frank Budd: 100y 9.2 (1961; WR), 9.3 (1961; WR), 9.3 (1961; WR), 9.36 (1961);  
1st NCAA 1961-62, 1st AAU 1961  
100m 10.2 (1961); 5th OG 1960  
220y 20.8 (1961); 1st NCAA 1961, 3rd AAU 1961  
400mR WR 1961/USA  
440yR WR 1961/USA  
*NFL 1962-63*  
*CFL 1965-66*
- \* Irvin "Bo" Roberson: 100y 9.5 (1961)  
LJ 811 (1960); 3rd AAU 1959 & 1961, 1st PAG 1959, 3rd FOT 1960,  
2nd OG 1960  
*AFL 1961-66*
- \* Amos Marsh: 100y 9.5 (1960)  
100m 10.4 (1960); 8th AAU 1960  
*NFL 1961-67*
- \* Bernie Casey: 120yH 14.0 (1960), 4th NCAA 1960, 6th FOT 1960  
*NFL 1961-68*
- \* Luther Hayes: LJ 775 (1961); 2nd NCAA 1961, 4th AAU 1961  
TJ 15.61 (1961); 1st NCAA 1960-61, 3rd AAU 1961  
*AFL 1961*
- \* William Brown: SP 17.13 (1961)  
*NFL 1961-74*
- \* Leroy Jackson: 100y 9.4 (1962); 3rd NCAA 1961  
220y 20.9 (1962)  
*NFL 1962-63*

- \* Charley Frazier: 220y 20.8 (1962), 21.00 (1962); 2nd AAU 1961  
*AFL 1962-69*  
*NFL 1970*
- \* Bennie McRae: 120yH 13.8 (1961); 4th NCAA 1961, 4th AAU 1961  
*NFL 1962-71*
- \* Bob Paremora: 100y 9.4 (1962)  
*NFL 1963-64*  
*CFL 1966-68*
- \*\* Bob Hayes: 100y 9.1 (1963, 1964, 1964; WR), 9.2 (1962; WR), 9.3 (1961; WR),  
9.35 (1962); 1st AAU 1962-63  
100m 10.0 (1964; WR), 10.06 (1964); 1st AAU 1964, 1st OG 1964  
200m 20.5 (1963; WR); 1st NCAA 1964, 3rd FOT 1964  
220y 20.5 (1963; WR); 2nd AAU 1962  
400mR 1st OG & WR USA/1964  
*NFL 1965-75*
- \* Trenton "TJ" Jackson: 100y 9.4 (1961)  
100m 10.1 (1964); 3rd NCAA 1964, 2nd FOT 1964  
*NFL 1966-67*
- \* Jerry Tarr: 120yH 13.3 (1962); 1st NCAA 1961-62, 1st AAU 1962  
440yH 50.3 (1962); 1st NCAA 1962  
*AFL 1962*
- \* Berwyn Jones: 100y 9.5 (1962)  
100m 10.3 (1963); 2nd WUG 1961  
400mR 3rd Ech 1962/GB  
400yR WR 1963/GB  
*Rugby League 1964-69*
- \* Gale Sayers: LJ 758 (1961)  
*NFL 1965-71*
- \* Homer Jones: 100y 9.4 (1962); 8th AAU 1962  
220y 20.7 (1962); 3rd AAU 1962  
*NFL 1964-70*
- \*\* Mel Renfro: 120yH 14.0 (1962), 13.8w (1962); 2nd NCAA 1962  
LJ 791 (1962); 3rd NCAA 1962  
*NFL 1964-77*
- \* Mike Gaechter: 120yH 14.1 (1962/wl-17)  
*NFL 1962-64*
- \*\* Paul Warfield: LJ 792 (1962), 799w (1963); 2nd AAU 1962  
*NFL 1964-74*  
*WFL 1975*  
*NFL 1976-77*
- \* Kermit Alexander: TJ 15.54 (1962); 1st NCAA 1962  
*NFL 1963-73*
- \* Billy Joe: SP 18.33 (1962); 3rd NCAA 1962, 5th AAU 1962  
*AFL 1963-69*
- \* Henry Carr: 100y 9.3 (1963); 2nd NCAA 1963  
100m 10.2 (1964)  
200m 20.3 (1964;WR), 20.36 (1964); 1st AAU 1964, 1st OG 1964  
220y 20.2 (1964; WR), 20.3 (1963; WR), 1st NCAA 1963, 1st AAU 1963  
400m 45.4 (1963)  
1600mR 1st OG & WR USA/1964  
MileR WR 1963/AzSt  
*NFL 1965-67*
- \* Odell Barry: 100y 9.4 (1963), 9.2w (1963)  
*AFL 1964-65*
- \* Bob Lay: 100y 9.2 (1965)  
100m 10.3 (1964), 10.42 (1964)  
200m 20.8 (1964)  
440yR WR Aus/1964  
*Rugby Union, Rugby League 1966-68*
- \* Charles Mercein: SP 17.82 (1963)  
*NFL 1965-70*
- \* John Roderick: 100y 9.3 (1964)  
100m 10.4 (1964)  
*NFL 1966-68*
- \* Travis Williams: 100y 9.3 (1964)  
100m 10.4 (1964)  
*NFL 1967-71*
- \* Hideo Iijima: 100m 10.1 (1964), 10.34 (1968); 1st WUG 1965  
200m 20.9 (1965)  
*NPB 1969-71*
- \* Don Shy: 120yH 13.4 (1966), 13.61 (1966); 2nd AAU 1966  
Dec 7430 (1965); 6th FOT 1964, 3rd AAU 1965  
*NFL 1967-73*  
*WFL 1975*
- \* Justin Canale: SP 17.42 (1964)  
*AFL 1965-69*

- \* **Richmond Flowers:** 100y 9.5 (1965), 9.62 (1967)  
120yH 13.3 (1968), 13.50 (1967); 2nd NCAA 1967, 3rd AAU 1967  
440yH 51.8 (1967)  
60yH-i 1st NCAA 1968  
*NFL 1969-73*
- \* **Gene Washington:** 120yH 13.7 (1967); 5th NCAA 1966  
60yH-i 1st NCAA 1965  
*NFL 1967-73*
- \* **Jeff Smith:** SP 18.00 (1965)  
*NFL 1966*
- \* **Jim Hines:** 100y 9.1 (1967; WR); 1st AAU 1967  
100m 9.95 (1968; WR), 9.9 (1968, 1968; WR), 10.0 (1967; WR);  
2nd AAU 1968, 1st OG 1968  
200m 20.3 (1967), 20.62 (1968)  
220y 20.3 (1967), 20.71 (1967); 1st AAU 1966  
400mR WR 1967/USA, 1st OG & WR 1968/USA  
*AFL 1969*  
*NFL 1970*
- \* **Tommie Smith:** 100y 9.3 (1966); 2nd NCAA 1966  
100m 10.1 (1966); 2nd WUG 1967  
200m 19.83 (1968; WR), 1st AAU 1968, 1st OG 1968  
220y 20.0 (1966; WR), 20.26 (1967); 1st NCAA 1967, 1st AAU 1967  
400m 45.25 (1966), 45.2 (1968)  
440y 44.8 (1967; WR)  
LJ 790 (1966); 3rd NCAA 1966  
440yR 1st NCAA 1965/SJSt  
1600mR WR 1966/USA  
*AFL 1969*
- \* **Ron Copeland:** 100y 9.5 (1967)  
120yH 13.5 (1967), 13.73 (1966); 1st NCAA 1966, 4th AAU 1967  
110mH 13.8 (1967); 2nd WUG 1967  
440yR 1st NCAA 1966/UCLA  
400mR 1st PAG 1967/USA  
MileR 1st NCAA 1966/UCLA  
*NFL 1969*
- \* **Elvin Bethea:** SP 18.36 (1966); 3rd NCAA-i 1966  
*AFL 1968-69*  
*NFL 1970-83*
- \* **O.J. Simpson** 100y 9.53 (1967); 5th NCAA 1967  
100m 10.3 (1968)  
440yR 1st NCAA 1967-68/USC  
*AFL 1969*  
*NFL 1970-79*
- \* **Cecil Turner:** 100y 9.4 (1967)  
100m 10.3 (1968)  
200m 20.8 (1968)  
*NFL 1968-73*
- \* **John Carlos:** 100y 9.1 (1969; WR); 1st NCAA 1969, 2nd AAU 1969  
100m 10.0 (1968), 10.32 (1969)  
200m 19.92 (1968; WR); 1st PAG 1967, 1st FOT 1968, 3rd OG 1968  
220y 20.2 (1969); 1st NCAA 1969, 1st AAU 1969  
440y 47.0 (1967)  
440yR 1st NCAA 1968/SJSt  
60y-1 1st NCAA 1969  
*CFL 1971*
- \* **Earl McCullouch:** 110mH 13.2 (1967; WR), 13.43 (1967); 1st PAG 1967, 1st AAU 1968  
120yH 13.3 (1968), 13.47 (1967); 1st NCAA 1967-68  
400mR 1st PAG 1967/USA  
440yR 1st NCAA 1967-68/USC  
*NFL 1968-74*
- \* **Clyde Glosson:** 100y 9.3 (1968)  
100m 10.23 (1968); 2nd NCAA 1968, 5th FOT 1968  
200m 20.1 (1968); 7th NCAA 1968  
*NFL 1970*  
*WFL 1974*
- \* **Harold Jackson:** 100y 9.4 (1968)  
*NFL 1968-83*
- \* **J.D. Hill:** 100y 9.4 (1968)  
220y 20.6w (1968)  
*NFL 1971-77*
- \* **Mel Gray:** 100y 9.2 (1970); 4th NCAA 1969, 4th AAU 1969  
100m 10.1 (1968)  
220y 20.4 (1970); 2nd NCAA 1970  
LJ 792 (1970); 7th AAU 1968  
*NFL 1971-82*
- \* **Fair Hooker:** 120yH 13.8 (1968); 7th NCAA 1968  
*NFL 1969-74*
- \* **Andy Hopkins:** 100y 9.2 (1969); 8th AAU 1969  
*NFL 1971*

- \* Ken Burrough: 100y 9.4 (1969)  
*NFL 1970-81*
- \* Larry Highbaugh: 100y 9.3 (1969); 7th NCAA 1969  
220y 20.7 (1971)  
*CFL 1971-83 (HOF)*
- \* Gerald Tinker 100y 9.3 (1970), 9.51 (1973); 4th NCAA 1973  
100m 10.1 (1972); 4th AAU 1972, 4th FOT 1972  
220y 20.6 (1969); 8th AAU 1969, 2nd NCAA 1973  
400mR 1st OG & WR 1972/USA  
*NFL 1974-75*
- \* Ron Jessie: 120yH 13.8 (1969)  
LJ 789 (1969); 1st NCAA-i 1969  
*NFL 1971-81*
- \* Isaac Curtis: 100y 9.3 (1970); 2nd NCAA 1970  
100m 10.3 (1972); 2nd AAU 1972  
220y 20.8 (1970); 4th NCAA 1970  
440yR 1st NCAA 1970/Cal  
*NFL 1973-84*
- \* Willie McGee: 100y 9.1 (1970; WR)  
100m 10.1 (1972)  
200m 20.6 (1972)  
60y-i 3rd AAU 1971  
*NFL 1973-78*
- \* Tim Beamer: 100y 9.3 (1970)  
*NFL 1971*
- \* Herb Washington: 100y 9.2 (1972); 1st AAU-Jr 1967, 2nd AAU 1973  
100m 10.1 (1973); 3rd AAU 1972  
60y-i 1st NCAA 1970 & 1972, 1st AAU 1974  
*MLB 1974-75*
- \* Paul Gibson: 100y 9.4 (1970)  
120yH 13.4 (1971); 1st NCAA 1970, 5th AAU 1970  
120yH 13.3 (1975), 13.87 (1975); *unofficial, ITA.*  
*NFL 1972*
- \* Willie Sojourner: HJ 214 (1970); 3rd NCAA 1970  
*ABA 1971-75*
- \* Clifford Branch: 100y 9.2 (1971)  
100m 10.0 (1972); 5th NCAA 1972  
220y 20.6 (1971); 7th NCAA 1971  
440y-i 3rd NCAA 1971  
*NFL 1972-85*
- \* Terry Metcalf: LJ 788 (1971); 8th NCAA 1972; *father.*  
*NFL 1973-81*
- \* Russ Francis: JT 79.17 (1971); 4th AAU 1971  
*NFL 1975-88*
- \* Larry Burton: 100y 9.3 (1974), 9.56 (1973), 9.1w (1973); 6th NCAA 1973  
100m 10.2 (1972)  
200m 20.37 (1972); 1st NCAA 1972, 4th OG 1972  
220y 20.3 (1972)  
*NFL 1975-79*
- \* Larance Jones: 400m 45.1 (1972); 2nd NCAA 1972  
440y 45.24 (1974); 1st NCAA 1974  
*NFL 1974-78*
- \* James McAlister: LJ 824 (1973); 3rd AAU 1972-73, 3rd NCAA 1973  
*WFL 1974*  
*NFL 1975-78*
- \* John Hannah: SP 18.72 (1972); 7th NCAA-i 1972  
*NFL 1973-85*
- \* Karl Farmer: 440y 45.8 (1973); 2nd AAU 1973, 1st AAU-Jr 1973, 9th NCAA 1975  
*NFL 1976-78*
- \* Charles Romes: 120yH 13.8 (1973)  
*NFL 1977-87*
- \* Greg Coleman: 120yH 13.5 (1974)  
*NFL 1977-88*
- \* Wesley Walker: 100y 9.57 (1975)  
220y 20.9 (1975)  
*NFL 1977-89*
- \* Kevin Williams: 100y 9.4 (1975)  
100m 10.34 (1978); 6th NCAA 1978  
400mR 1st NCAA 1978-80/USC  
*NFL 1981*
- \* James Owens: 120yH 13.57 (1975); 2nd NCAA 1975  
110mH 13.46 (1978); 6th OG 1976, 1st NCAA 1977, 1st AAU 1977  
*NFL 1979-84*
- \* Nolan Cromwell: 400mH 49.5 (1976), 49.74 (1976); 8th NCAA 1975  
*NFL 1977-87*

- \* Johnny "Lam" Jones: 100y 9.33 (1977)  
100m 10.23 (1976), 9.9 (1977); 6th OG 1976, 2nd NCAA 1977  
200m 20.67 (1977); 7th NCAA 1977  
220y 20.1 (1977)  
400m 46.16 (1976)  
400mR 1st OG 1976/USA  
*NFL 1980-84*
- \* Raymond Clayborn: 100y 9.52 (1976)  
*NFL 1977-91*
- \* Curtis Dickey: 100y 9.3 (1976), 9.53 (1979)  
100m 10.11 (1978); 2nd NCAA 1978  
60y-i 1st NCAA 1978-80, 1st TAC 1980  
*NFL 1980-86*
- \* Laverne Smith: 100m 10.29 (1976); 7th NCAA 1976  
200m 20.44 (1976)  
*NFL 1977*
- \* Lawrence Johnson: 100m 10.37 (1976)  
200m 20.76 (1976)  
*NFL 1979-87*
- \* Robert Woods: 100m 10.1 (1976); 4th AAU 1976  
200m 20.6 (1977)  
*NFL 1978-79*
- \* Robert "Spider" Gaines: 110mH 13.61 (1977); 7th FOT 1976, 5th AAU 1977  
*CFL 1982*
- \* Jeff Lee: 60yH-i (-); 1st NCAA 1977  
*NFL 1980*
- \* Darrin Nelson: 100m 10.44 (1980); 9th NCAA 1980  
LJ 778 (1977), 795w (1977)  
*NFL 1982-92*
- \* Paul Lankford: 110mH 13.85 (1981)  
400mH 49.55 (1981); 1st AAU-Jr 1977, 4th NCAA 1980-81  
*NFL 1982-91*
- \* Jeff Stover: SP 20.84 (1980); 1st AAU-Jr 1977, 5th NCAA 1978  
*NFL 1982-88*
- \* Butch Woolfolk: 100m 10.40 (1981); 8th AAU-Jr 1978  
200m 20.86 (1980); 6th NCAA 1980  
*NFL 1982-88*
- \*\* James Lofton: 200m 20.5 (1978), 20.83 (1978)  
LJ 823 (1978); 1st NCAA 1978, 2nd AAU 1978  
*NFL 1978-93*
- \* Renaldo Nehemiah: 100m 10.24 (1979)  
200m 20.37 (1979)  
110mH 12.93 (1981; WR), 13.00 (1979; WR), 13.16 (1979; WR);  
1st TAC 1978-80, 1st NCAA 1979, 1st PAG 1979,  
1st FOT 1980  
*NFL 1982-84*
- \* Roland James: 110mH 13.5 (1979)  
*NFL 1980-90*
- \* Anthony Hancock: 110mH 13.68 (1980); 3rd AAU-Jr 1979, 6th NCAA 1980  
*NFL 1982-86*
- \* Johnny Hector: LJ 797 (1982); 1st AAU-Jr 1979  
*NFL 1983-92*
- \* Ken Thomas: 100m 10.36 (1980), 10.31w (1980)  
*NFL 1983*
- \* Mark Duper: 100m 10.21 (1982)  
200m 20.77 (1980); 7th FOT 1980  
400mR 1st NCAA 1981/NWLa  
*NFL 1982-92*
- \* Ron Brown: 100m 10.06 (1983); 2nd TAC 1981, 4th OG 1984  
200m 20.74 (1984)  
400mR 1st OG & WR 1984/USA  
60y-i 1st TAC 1982  
*NFL 1984-91*
- \* Willie Gault: 100m 10.10 (1982); 5th FOT 1980, 2nd NCAA 1982  
200m 20.68 (1982); 5th FOT 1980  
110mH 13.26 (1982); 2nd NCAA 1981-82, 1st TAC 1982, 3rd WCh 1983  
400mR 1st WCh & WR 1983/USA  
*NFL 1983-93*
- \* Russell Carter: 400m 46.02 (1981); 6th TAC-Jr 1980  
*NFL 1984-89*
- \* Orlando McDaniel: 110mH 13.64 (1980); 2nd NCAA 1980  
*NFL 1982*
- \* Joe Delaney: 100m 10.2 (1981); *died 1983 trying to save 3 kids from drowning.*  
200m 20.4 (1981)  
400mR 1st NCAA 1981/NWLa  
*NFL 1981-82*
- \* Herschel Walker: 100m 10.23 (1982), 10.10w (1982); 3rd TAC-Jr 1981, 5th TAC 1982  
*NFL 1986-97*

- \* Herkie Walls: 100m 10.29 (1982), 10.16w (1981)  
200m 20.62 (1981)  
*NFL 1983-87*
- \* Ron Ingram: 100m 10.31 (1981)  
*CFL 1985-88*
- \* Henry Ellard: TJ 16.73 (1986), 17.23w (1982); 8th TAC 1981, 7th NCAA 1982  
*NFL 1983-98*
- \* Michael Carter: SP 21.76 (1984); 1st NCAA 1981 & 1983, 2nd TAC 1981, 2nd OG 1984  
DT 61.96 (1981); 2nd NCAA 1981  
*NFL 1984-92*
- \* Vince Goldsmith: SP 19.46 (1981)  
*CFL 1983-90*
- \* Rohn Stark: Dec 7511 (1981); 8th NCAA 1981  
*NFL 1982-97*
- \* Mike Miller: 100m 10.11 (1982); 3rd NCAA 1982, 3rd TAC 1982  
200m 20.15 (1982); 3rd NCAA 1982  
*NFL 1983-85*
- \* Phillip Epps: 100m 10.24 (1983)  
200m 20.19 (1982); 5th NCAA 1982-83  
*NFL 1982-89*
- \* Darrell Green: 100m 10.08 (1983); 6th NCAA 1982  
200m 20.48 (1982); 7th NCAA 1982  
400m 45.9 (1983)  
*NFL 1983-2002*
- \* Sterling Hinds: 100m 10.27 (1982)  
200m 20.61 (1982)  
400mR 3rd OG 1984/Can  
*CFL 1984-85*
- \* Vance Johnson: LJ 821 (1982); 1st NCAA 1982  
*NFL 1985-95*
- \* Stephen Starring: 110mH 13.86 (1983)  
60mH-i 6th NCAA 1982  
*NFL 1983-88*
- \* Dokie Williams: TJ 16.81 (1982)  
*NFL 1983-87*
- \* Bob Weir: DT 65.08 (2000); 10th OG 1984, 8th WCh 1997, 1st BCG 1998,  
8th ECh 1998  
HT 75.08 (1982); 1st BCG 1982, 1st NCAA 1983, 8th OG 1984  
*CFL 1987-92*
- \* Darren Clark: 200m 20.49 (1983)  
400m 44.38 (1988); 4th OG 1984 & 1988, 1st BCG 1990  
*Rugby League 1991-92*
- \* Al Toon: 110mH 13.94 (1984)  
TJ 16.65 (1983); 8th NCAA 1984  
*NFL 1985-92*
- \* Sam Graddy: 100m 10.09 (1984); 1st NCAA 1984, 1st TAC 1984, 2nd OG 1984  
200m 20.30 (1985)  
400mR 1st OG & WR 1984/USA  
*NFL 1987-92*
- \* Rod Barksdale: 200m 20.35 (1984); 6th NCAA 1984  
400m 46.18 (1984)  
*NFL 1986-87*
- \* Johnny Thomas: 200m 20.56 (1984)  
400m 45.91 (1986); 7th NCAA 1986  
1600mR 1st NCAA 1985/Bayl  
*NFL 1988-96*
- \* Rod Jones: 400m 44.94 (1984); 9th NCAA 1986  
1600mR 1st NCAA 1986/SMU  
*NFL 1986-96*
- \* Jay Novacek: Dec 7762 (1984); 4th NCAA 1984  
*NFL 1985-95*
- \* Tom Newberry: SP 19.29 (1985); 8th NCAA 1984  
*NFL 1986-95*
- \* Terry McDaniel: 100m 10.35 (1985)  
200m 20.67 (1986)  
*NFL 1988-98*
- \* Laron Brown: 200m 20.79 (1986)  
400m 44.92 (1986); 6th NCAA 1985  
*NFL 1987*
- \* Danny Peebles: 100m 10.32 (1988)  
200m 20.27 (1988); 2nd NCAA 1987  
400mR 1st NCAA 1985/NCSt  
*NFL 1989-91*
- \*\* Rod Woodson: 100m 10.34 (1987)  
110mH 13.29 (1987)  
55mH-i 2nd NCAA 1985  
*NFL 1987-2003*
- \* Christian Okoye: DT 64.72 (1985); 1st AfrCh 1985  
*NFL 1987-92*



- \* Michael Timpson: 200m 20.23 (1986); 5th TAC 1988  
110mH 13.80 (1988)  
*NFL 1989-97*
- \* Reyna Thompson: 110mH 13.56 (1986)  
*NFL 1986-93*
- \* Nigel Walker: 110mH 13.51 (1990); 4th ECh 1986, 4th BCG 1986  
60mH-i 3rd WCh 1987  
*Rugby Union 1993-98*
- \* Eric Thomas: 100m 10.35 (1987)  
*NFL 1987-95*
- \* Tony Jones: 100m 10.26 (1988)  
200m 20.28 (1987)  
*NFL 1990-95*
- \* Herman Moore: HJ 221 (1990); 3rd TAC-Jr 1987  
*NFL 1991-2002*
- \* Latin Berry: LJ 814 (1989); 5th NCAA 1987 & 1989  
TJ 16.41 (1989); 1st TAC-Jr 1986, 6th NCAA 1988  
*NFL 1990-92*
- \* Deion Sanders: 100m 10.26 (1988)  
200m 20.71 (1988)  
*MLB 1989-2001*  
*NFL 1989-2004*
- \* Sammie Smith: 100m 10.34 (1988)  
*NFL 1989-92*
- \* Michael Haynes: 100m 10.35 (1988)  
*NFL 1988-97*
- \* Eric Metcalf: LJ 844 (1988); 1st NCAA 1986 & 1988, 1st TAC 1988; *son.*  
*NFL 1989-2002*
- \* Ray Ethridge: 100m 10.33 (1989)  
200m 20.71 (1989)  
*NFL 1996-97*
- \* Terrence Warren: 100m 10.30 (1989)  
200m 20.42 (1992)  
*NFL 1993-95*
- \* Michael Bates: 100m 10.17 (1991); 1st WUG 1991, 8th FOT 1992  
200m 20.01 (1992); 6th NCAA 1990-91, 3rd OG 1992  
*NFL 1993-2003*
- \* Shane Collins: SP 20.20 (1990); 1st NCAA 1990, 5th TAC 1990  
*NFL 1992-94*
- \* Raghil Ismail: 100m 10.34 (1991); *big brother.*  
55m-i 2nd NCAA 1991  
*CFL 1991-92*  
*NFL 1993-2001*
- \* James Jett: 100m 10.16 (1992); 2nd NCAA 1992, 5th FOT 1992  
200m 20.33 (1992); 7th TAC 1991, 2nd NCAA 1992  
400mR 1st OG 1992/USA-h  
*NFL 1993-2002*
- \* Qadry Ismail: 110mH 13.60 (1991); 5th NCAA 1991; *kid brother.*  
*NFL 1993-2002*
- \* Curtis Conway: 100m 10.28 (1992)  
*NFL 1993-2004*
- \* Jermaine Lewis: 100m 10.33 (1992)  
*NFL 1996-2004*
- \* James Trapp: 100m 10.14 (1992); 3rd NCAA 1992, 7th FOT 1992  
200m 20.17 (1992); 4th NCAA 1992, 6th FOT 1992, 1st WCh-i 1993  
*NFL 1993-2003*
- \* Chris Sanders: 100m 10.25 (1992)  
200m 20.42 (1994); 4th NCAA 1994  
LJ 817 (1992); 7th NCAA 1994  
*NFL 1995-2001*
- \* Travis Hannah: 400m 45.17 (1992); 4th NCAA 1992  
*NFL 1993-95*
- \* Robert Smith: 400m 45.73 (1992)  
1600mR 1st NCAA 1993/OhSt  
*NFL 1993-2000*
- \* Reggie Jones: 100m 10.25 (1993)  
LJ 824 (1994); 7th NCAA 1993, 4th USA 1994  
TJ 17.12 (1992); 2nd NCAA 1993, 3rd USA 1993-94  
400mR 1st NCAA 1992-93/LSU  
*NFL 1995-2001*
- \* Brian Milne: SP 4th TAC-Jr 1992  
DT 63.22 (1992); 1st WCh-Jr 1992, 1st NCAA 1993  
*NFL 1996-2000*
- \* Scott Turner: 400m 45.69 (1993)  
*NFL 1995-2003*
- \* Anthony Phillips: 100m 10.21 (1993)  
*NFL 1994-98*
- \* Percell Gaskins: HJ 227 (1993); 3rd TAC-Jr 1991, 1st NCAA-i 1993  
*NFL 1996-97*

- \* Jonathan Ogden: SP 19.42 (1996); 4th NCAA 1995, 1st NCAA-i 1996  
DT 4th USA-Jr 1993  
*NFL 1996-2007*
- \* Eddie Kennison: 200m 20.68 (1995)  
400mR 1st NCAA 1994/LSU  
*NFL 1996-2008*
- \* Patrick Johnson: 100m 10.26 (1995); 4th USA-Jr 1994, 8th NCAA 1995  
200m 20.39 (1995); 3rd USA-Jr 1994  
400m 45.38 (1995)  
*NFL 1998-2005*
- \* Leif Larsen: SP 18.76 (1997); 4th WCh-Jr 1994  
*NFL 2000-01*
- \* Ed Hervey: 200m 20.40 (1995); 5th NCAA 1995  
400m 45.76 (1995)  
*CFL 1998-2006*
- \* Tyrone Wheatley: 110mH 13.77 (1995); 8th NCAA 1995  
*NFL 1995-2004*
- \* Alvis Whitted: 100m 10.07 (1996)  
200m 20.29 (1996); 6th FOT 1996  
400m 45.88 (1995)  
*NFL 1998-2006*
- \* Tony Simmons: 100m 10.25 (1996)  
*NFL 1998-2002*  
*CFL 2005-06*
- \* Ronnie Powell: 100m 10.29 (1997); 7th NCAA 1997-98  
*NFL 1999*
- \* Jason Perry: 110mH 13.75 (1997); 8th NCAA 1997  
*NFL 1999-02*
- \* Sultan McCullough: 100m 10.17 (1999); 2nd USA-Jr 1998, 8th NCAA 2000  
*NFL 2003*
- \* Brian Moorman: 400mH 49.77 (1998)  
*NFL 1999-2013*
- \* Roland "Champ" Bailey: LJ 789i (1998)  
*NFL 1999-2013*
- \* Michael Bennett: 100m 10.18 (2000)  
200m 20.66 (2000)  
*NFL 2001-10*
- \* Terence Newman: 100m 10.20 (2002)  
60m-i 5th NCAA 2002  
*NFL 2003-17*
- \* Ahmad Carroll: 100m 10.34 (2003), 10.28w (2003); 7th NCAA 2003  
200m 8th NCAA 2003  
*NFL 2004-09*
- \* Jabari Greer: 110mH 13.32 (2003)  
60mH-i 1st NCAA 2003  
*NFL 2004-13*
- \* Samie Parker: 100m 10.18 (2003); 5th NCAA 2003  
*NFL 2004-07*
- \* Airese Currie: 100m 10.22 (2004)  
*NFL 2006*  
*CFL 2009*
- \* Jerome Mathis: 200m 20.32 (2004); 2nd NCAA 2003  
*NFL 2005-07*  
*CFL 2009*
- \* Stanford Routt: 200m 20.44 (2004), 20.03w (2004); 2nd NCAA 2004  
*NFL 2005-12*
- \* Bennie Brazell: 400mH 47.67 (2005); 2nd NCAA 2002, 2004-05, 8th OG 2004,  
4th USA 2005  
400mR 1st NCAA 2002-03/LSU  
1600mR 1st NCAA 2003 & 2005/LSU  
*USA Rugby 2010*
- \* Jonathan Wade: 100m 10.21 (2002)  
200m 20.58 (2002)  
60m-i 8th NCAA 2005  
*NFL 2007-11*
- \* Joe Thomas: SP 19.03 (2005)  
*NFL 2007-17*
- \* Jamaal Charles: 100m 10.23 (2006); 5th NCAA 2006  
200m 20.62 (2006); 7th NCAA 2006  
*NFL 2008-18*
- \* Brian Robison: SP 20.83 (2006); 2nd NCAA 2006, 4th USA 2006  
*NFL 2007-17*
- \* Jacoby Ford: 100m 10.01 (2009); 5th NCAA 2008  
60m-i 1st NCAA 2009  
*NFL 2010-13*
- \* Trindon Holliday: 100m 10.00 (2009); 2nd NCAA 2007, 2nd USA 2007, 1st NCAA 2009  
60m-i 2nd NCAA 2008-09  
400mR 1st NCAA 2008/LSU  
*NFL 2011-14*

- \* Jahvid Best: **100m** 10.16 (2016)  
**200m** 20.65 (2007)  
*NFL 2010-11*
- \* Teddy Williams: **100m** 10.16 (2008); 7th NCAA 2008  
*NFL 2012-16*
- \* Jeff Demps: **100m** 10.01 (2008), 9.96w (2010, 2011); 1st NCAA 2010, 5th USA 2011,  
7th FOT 2012  
**60m-i** 1st NCAA 2010-12  
**400mR** 1st NCAA 2010/Fla, 2nd OG 2012/USA-h  
*NFL 2013*
- \* Robert Griffin: **400mH** 49.22 (2008); 3rd NCAA 2008  
*NFL 2012-20*
- \* Margus Hunt: **DT** 61.33 (2010); 1st ECh-Jr 2005, 1st WCh-Jr 2006  
*NFL 2013-21*
- \* Marquise Goodwin: **LJ** 845 (2016); 1st NCAA 2010 & 2012, 1st USA 2011,  
1st FOT 2012, 10th OG 2012, 2nd PAG 2015  
*NFL 2013-22*
- \* Tyreek Hill: **100m** 10.19 (2012), 9.98w (2013); 1st USA-Jr 2012, 4th WCh-Jr 2012  
**200m** 20.14 (2012); 1st USA-Jr 2012, 3rd WCh-Jr 2012  
*NFL 2016-22*
- \* Lawrence Okoye: **DT** 68.24 (2012); 12th OG 2012, 2nd BCG 2022, 3rd ECh 2022  
*CFL 2017*
- \* Tim White: **TJ** 16.57 (2016); 1st USA-Jr 2013, 4th NCAA 2016  
*NFL 2018*  
*CFL 2021-22*
- \* Raheem Mostert: **100m** 10.28 (2014)  
*NFL 2015-22*
- \* Devin Duvernay: **100m** 10.27 (2015)  
*NFL 2020-22*
- \* Ashtyn Davis: **110mH** 13.50 (2017); 3rd USA-Jr 2015  
**60mH-i** 3rd NCAA 2018  
*NFL 2020-22*
- \* Donte Jackson: **100m** 10.22 (2017)  
*NFL 2018-22*
- \* Kalon Barnes: **100m** 10.22 (2017), 10.04w (2018)  
**200m** 20.54 (2017)  
*NFL 2022*
- \* Anthony Schwartz: **100m** 10.09 (2018); 1st USA-Jr 2018, 2nd WCh-Jr 2018  
**200m** 20.47 (2018)  
*NFL 2021-22*
- \* Otito Ogbornia: **SP** 19.60 (2019); 1st USA-Jr 2019  
**DT** 2nd USA-Jr 2019  
*NFL 2022*

## LADIES

- \* Babe Didrikson: **100m** 12.3 (1931)  
**200m** 25.6 (1931)  
**80mH** 11.7 (1932; WR), 12.0 (1931; WR), 11.8 (1932; WR); 1st AAU 1931,  
1st FOT 1932, 1st OG 1932  
**HJ** 165 (1932; WR), 162 (1932; WR); 1st FOT 1932, 2nd OG 1932  
**LJ** 570 (1930); 1st AAU 1931-32  
**SP** 12.04 (1932); 1st AAU 1932  
**DT** 42.06 (1932); 4th FOT 1932  
**JT** 43.69 (1932; WR), 40.67 (1930; WR); 1st AAU 1930, 1st FOT 1932,  
1st OG 1932  
*LPGA 1940-55*
- \* Jackie Joyner-Kersey: **200m** 22.30 (1988)  
**100mH** 12.61 (1988); 1st USA 1994  
**400mH** 55.05 (1985); 2nd NCAA 1985  
**HJ** 193 (1988)  
**LJ** 749 (1994), 745 (1987; WR); 1st WCh 1987, 1st OG 1988,  
1st WCh 1991, 3rd OG 1992, 3rd OG 1996  
**Hep** 7291 (1988; WR), 7215 (1988; WR), 7158 (1986; WR), 7148  
(1986; WR); 2nd OG 1984, 1st WCh 1987, 1st OG 1988,  
1st OG 1992, 1st WCh 1993  
*ABL 1996-97*
- \* Erin Aldrich: **HJ** 1971 (1998); 1st USA-Jr 1996, 1st NCAA 1998 & 2000, 2nd FOT 2000  
*USA Volleyball 2001-2007*
- \* Marion Jones: **100m** 10.65 (1998); 1st USA 1997-98 & 2002 & 2006, 1st WCh 1997 & 1999,  
1st FOT 2000, 1st OG 2000, 2nd WCh 2001  
**200m** 21.62 (1998); 1st USA 1998-99, 2001-02, 1st FOT 2000, 1st OG 2000,  
1st WCh 2001  
**400m** 49.59 (2000)  
**LJ** 731 (1998); 2nd NCAA 1994, 1st USA 1997-99, 3rd WCh 1999,  
1st FOT 2000 & 2004, 3rd OG 2000, 5th OG 2004

**400mR** 1st WCh 1997 & 2001/USA, 3rd OG 2000/USA

**1600mR** 1st OG 2000/USA

*WNBA 2010-11*

\* Destinee Hooker: **HJ** 198i (2009); 1st NCAA 2006-07 & 2009, 3rd USA 2006-07  
*USA Volleyball 2008-12*

\* Gabby Williams: **HJ** 189 (2012); 5th FOT 2012  
*WNBA 2018-19, 2021*

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