

Athletics at the 1974 British Commonwealth Games

At the **1974 British Commonwealth Games**, the **athletics** events were held at the Queen Elizabeth II Park in Christchurch, New Zealand between 25 January and 2 February. Athletes competed in 37 events – 23 for men and 14 for women.

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The QE II Park was purpose-built for the 1974 Games.

Dates	25 January – 2 February 1974
Host city	Christchurch, New Zealand
Venue	Queen Elizabeth II Park
Level	Senior
Events	37
Participation	468 athletes from 35 nations
Records set	1 WR , 18 GR
← 1970 Edinburgh	1978 Edmonton →
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Event	Gold		Silver		Bronze	
100 metres (wind: +0.8 m/s)	 <u>Don Quarrie</u>	10.38	 <u>John Mwebi</u>	10.51	 <u>Ohene Karikari</u>	10.51
200 metres (wind: -0.6 m/s)	 <u>Don Quarrie</u>	20.73	 <u>George Daniels</u>	20.97	 <u>Bevan Smith</u>	21.08
400 metres	 <u>Charles Asati</u>	46.04	 <u>Silver Ayoo</u>	46.07	 <u>Claver Kamanya</u>	46.16
800 metres	 <u>John Kipkurgat</u>	1:43.91 GR	 <u>Mike Boit</u>	1:44.39	 <u>John Walker</u>	1:44.92
1500 metres	 <u>Filbert Bayi</u>	3:32.16 WR	 <u>John Walker</u>	3:32.52	 <u>Ben Jipcho</u>	3:33.16
5000 metres	 <u>Ben Jipcho</u>	13:14.4 GR	 <u>Brendan Foster</u>	13:14.6	 <u>Dave Black</u>	13:23.6
10,000 metres	 <u>Dick Tayler</u>	27:46.40	 <u>Dave Black</u>	27:48.49	 <u>Richard Juma</u>	27:56.96
Marathon	 <u>Ian Thompson</u>	2:09:12 GR	 <u>Jack Foster</u>	2:11:19	 <u>Richard Mabuza</u>	2:12:55
110 metres hurdles (wind: -0.1 m/s)	 <u>Fatwell Kimaiyo</u>	13.69 GR	 <u>Berwyn Price</u>	13.84	 <u>Max Binnington</u>	13.88
400 metres hurdles	 <u>Alan Pascoe</u>	48.83 GR	 <u>Bruce Field</u>	49.32	 <u>William Koskei</u>	49.34
3000 metres steeplechase	 <u>Ben Jipcho</u>	8:20.67 GR	 <u>John Davies</u>	8:24.8	 <u>Evans Mogaka</u>	8:28.51
4 × 100 metres relay	 <u>Australia</u> <u>Greg Lewis</u> <u>Laurie D'Arcy</u> <u>Andrew Ratcliffe</u> <u>Graham Haskell</u>	39.31 GR	 <u>Ghana</u> <u>Albert Lomotey</u> <u>Ohene Karikari</u> <u>Kofi Okyir</u> <u>George Daniels</u>	39.61	 <u>Nigeria</u> <u>Timon Oyebami</u> <u>Benedict Majekodunmi</u> <u>Kola Abdulai James</u> <u>Olakunle</u>	39.70
4 × 400 metres relay	 <u>Kenya</u> <u>Charles Asati</u> <u>Francis Musyoki</u> <u>Bill Koskei</u> <u>Julius Sang</u>	3:04.43	 <u>England</u> <u>Alan Pascoe</u> <u>Andy Carter</u> <u>John Wilson</u> <u>Bill Hartley</u>	3:06.66	 <u>Uganda</u> <u>Pius Olowu</u> <u>William Dralu Samuel</u> <u>Kakonge</u> <u>Silver Ayoo</u>	3:07.45
20 miles walk	 <u>John Warhurst</u>	2:35:23	 <u>Roy Thorpe</u>	2:39:03	 <u>Peter Fullager</u>	2:42:09
High jump	 <u>Gordon</u>	2.16 GR	 <u>Lawrie</u>	2.14	 <u>Claude</u>	2.12

	<u>Windeyer</u>		<u>Peckham</u>		<u>Ferragne</u>	
Pole vault	 <u>Don Baird</u>	5.05	 <u>Mike Bull</u>	5.00	 <u>Brian Hooper</u>	5.00
Long jump	 <u>Alan Lerwill</u>	7.94	 <u>Chris Commons</u>	7.92	 <u>Joshua Owusu</u>	7.75
Triple jump	 <u>Joshua Owusu</u>	16.50	 <u>Mohinder Singh Gill</u>	16.44	 <u>Moise Pomaney</u>	16.23
Shot put	 <u>Geoff Capes</u>	20.74 GR	 <u>Mike Winch</u>	19.36	 <u>Bruce Pirnie</u>	18.68
Discus throw	 <u>Robin Tait</u>	63.08 GR	 <u>Bill Tancred</u>	59.48	 <u>John Hillier</u>	57.22
Hammer throw	 <u>Ian Chipchase</u>	69.56	 <u>Howard Payne</u>	68.02	 <u>Peter Farmer</u>	67.48
Javelin throw	 <u>Charles Clover</u>	84.92 GR	 <u>Dave Travis</u>	79.92	 <u>John Mayaka</u>	77.56
Decathlon	 <u>Mike Bull</u>	7417	 <u>Barry King</u>	7277	 <u>Rob Lethbridge</u>	7270

Women

Event	Gold		Silver		Bronze	
100 metres (wind: +0.5 m/s)	 Raelene Boyle	11.27 GR	 Andrea Lynch	11.31	 Denise Robertson	11.50
200 metres (wind: +0.2 m/s)	 Raelene Boyle	22.50 GR	 Denise Robertson	22.73	 Alice Annum	22.90
400 metres	 Yvonne Saunders	51.67	 Verona Bernard	51.94	 Charlene Rendina	52.08
800 metres	 Charlene Rendina	2:01.11 GR	 Sue Haden	2:02.04	 Sabina Chebichi	2:02.61
1500 metres	 Glenda Reiser	4:07.08 GR	 Joan Allison (Page)	4:10.66	 Thelma Wright (Fynn)	4:12.26
100 metres hurdles (wind: +1.0 m/s)	 Judy Vernon	13.45	 Gaye Dell	13.54	 Modupe Oshikoya	13.69
4 × 100 metres relay	 Australia Denise Robertson Jennifer Lamy Raelene Boyle Robyn Boak	43.51 GR	 England Barbara Martin Andrea Lynch Judy Vernon Sonia Lannaman	44.30	 Ghana Alice Annum Hannah Afriyie Josephine Ocran Rose Asiedua	44.35
4 × 400 metres relay	 England Jannette Roscoe Ruth Kennedy Sue Pettett Verona Bernard	3:29.23	 Australia Charlene Rendina Judy Canty Margaret Ramsay Terri Cater	3:30.72	 Canada Brenda Walsh Margaret McGowen Maureen Crowley Yvonne Saunders	3:33.92
High jump	 Barbara Lawton	1.84	 Louise Hannah	1.82	 Brigitte Bittner	1.80
Long jump	 Modupe Oshikoya	6.46	 Brenda Eisler	6.38	 Ruth Martin-Jones	6.38
Shot put	 Jane Haist	16.12	 Valerie Young	15.29	 Jean Roberts	15.24
Discus throw	 Jane Haist	55.52 GR	 Rosemary Payne	53.94	 Carol Martin	53.16
Javelin throw	 Petra Rivers	55.48	 Jenny Symon	52.14	 Sharon Corbett	50.26
Pentathlon	 Mary Peters	4455	 Modupe Oshikoya	4423	 Ann Wilson	4236

Medal table

* Host nation (New Zealand)

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	 England (ENG)	10	13	5	28
2	 Australia (AUS)	8	7	7	22
3	 Kenya (KEN)	6	2	6	14
4	 Canada (CAN)	4	2	6	12
5	 New Zealand (NZL)*	2	4	2	8
6	 Northern Ireland (NIR)	2	1	0	3
7	 Jamaica (JAM)	2	0	0	2
8	 Ghana (GHA)	1	2	5	8
9	 Nigeria (NGR)	1	1	2	4
10	 Tanzania (TAN)	1	0	1	2
11	 Wales (WAL)	0	2	1	3
12	 Uganda (UGA)	0	1	1	2
13	 India (IND)	0	1	0	1
	 Scotland (SCO)	0	1	0	1
15	 Swaziland	0	0	1	1
Totals (15 nations)		37	37	37	111



New Zealand's John Walker won medals in the 800 and 1500 metres.

Participating nations

- Australia (61)
- Barbados (2)
- Bermuda (5)
- Botswana (5)
- Canada (30)
- Cook Islands (2)
- England (66)
- Fiji (15)
- Gambia (2)
- Ghana (16)
- Gibraltar (1)
- Grenada (1)
- Guernsey (4)

-  [India](#) (1)
-  [Isle of Man](#) (5)
-  [Jamaica](#) (12)
-  [Jersey](#) (1)
-  [Kenya](#) (32)
-  [Lesotho](#) (6)
-  [Malawi](#) (5)
-  [Malaysia](#) (2)
-  [Mauritius](#) (5)
-  [New Zealand](#) (59)
-  [Nigeria](#) (30)
-  [Northern Ireland](#) (11)
-  [Papua New Guinea](#) (4)
-  [Scotland](#) (26)
-  [Singapore](#) (2)
-  [Swaziland](#) (3)
-  [Tanzania](#) (16)
-  [Tonga](#) (4)
-  [Uganda](#) (14)
-  [Wales](#) (15)
-  [Western Samoa](#) (3)
-  [Zambia](#) (2)

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