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US Speedskating Announces Long Track Fall World Cup Rosters

11 Olympians are featured on USA's Fall World Cup roster

KEARNS, Utah – US Speedskating announced today its 2015-16 Long Track Fall World Cup [roster](#) following the three-day World Cup Qualifier meet held at the Utah Olympic Oval. The first ISU World Cup will be held in Calgary on Nov. 13-15, before the team returns home to Salt Lake City on Nov. 20-22 for the second World Cup of the season.

“For where the Long Track team is within their training program, we are in a great spot heading into World Cup and international competition,” said Long Track Program Director, **Nick Pearson**. “To see 16 personal best skates this past weekend, and to have a number of world-best times, it says a lot about the time and effort each athlete and our coaching staff has put in.”

Over three days of racing at the World Cup Qualifier, 16 personal bests were made including **Joey Mantia's** world-best skate in the Men's 1500m (1:43.71) and **Ian Quinn's** 6:36.14 in the Men's 5000m. Other top performances included **Brittany Bowe's** 37.60 in the Women's 500m and 1:53.29 in the 1500m, **Mitch Whitmore's** 34.67 in the Men's 500m, **Heather Richardson-Bergsma's** top time (1:13.32) in the 1000m and two-time Olympic champion **Shani Davis'** 1:07.63 in the Men's 1000m, which tied the fastest 1000m time in the world this year.

"I was very pleased with the results throughout the competition, knowing that these athletes had worked very hard over the summer, and to see it start to show up on the results sheet is very rewarding," said Long Track Sprint Team Head Coach, **Matt Kooreman**. "These athletes look poised to represent Team USA well in the upcoming World Cup season."

With 17 individuals qualifying for the World Cup roster, Team USA features 11 Olympians who have combined to make 20 Olympic appearances.

"You can't put a value on the amount of international experience these athletes have, and it only bodes well for the up-and-comers on the squad," said Long Track Allround Team Head Coach, **Tom Cushman**. "Everyone on the team pushes one another in training and I know they'll continue to bring the very best out of one another."

A [full roster](#) of the 2015-16 Long Track Fall World Cup Team is on the next page.

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Men

KC Boutiette (Tacoma, Wash.)
Shani Davis (Chicago, Ill.)
Jonathan Garcia (Houston, Texas)
Kimani Griffin (Winston-Salem, N.C.)
Emery Lehman (Chicago, Ill.)
Joey Mantia (Ocala, Fla.)
Brett Perry (Midland, Mich.)
Ian Quinn (St. Louis, Mo.)
Jeffrey Swider-Peltz (Chicago, Ill.)
Mitch Whitmore (Waukesha, Wisc.)

Women

Erin Bartlett (Lakewood, Ohio)
Brittany Bowe (Ocala, Fla.)
Kelly Gunther (Clinton Township, Mich.)
Maria Lamb (River Falls, Wisc.)
Heather Richardson-Bergsma (High Point, N.C.)
Paige Schwartzburg (Ocala, Fla.)
Sugar Todd (Omaha, Neb.)

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