THURSDAY, AUGUST 8
MORNING EDITION

PARIS 2024 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

JULY 25				
SOC	France vs. **Colombia**	Pool	Izquierdo, Perez	FRA, 3-2
JULY 26				
ALL	Opening Ceremony	Ceremonies	All	
JULY 27				
MT	Singles vs. Navone (ARG)	First Rd.	Borges	Canceled / Weather
JULY 28				
MT	Singles vs. Navone (ARG)	First Rd.	Borges	Navone, 6-2, 6-2
SOC	New Zealand vs. **Colombia**	Pool	Izquierdo, Perez	COL, 2-0
MT	Doubles vs. Greece	First Rd.	Borges	POR, 3-6, 6-3, [12-10]
JULY 30				
MT	Doubles vs. Germany	Second Rd.	Borges	GER, 6-2, 6-2
JULY 31				
SOC	**Colombia** vs. Canada	Pool	Izquierdo, Perez	CAN, 1-0
AUGUST 3				
SOC	**Colombia** vs. Spain	Quarterfinals	Izquierdo, Perez	ESP, 2-2 (4-2)
AUGUST 6				
TF	Men's Javelin	Qualifying	Peters	88.63m, 2nd (Q)
			Thompson	76.79m, 27th
AUGUST 7				
TF	Men's 800m	First Round	Arop	1:45.74, 17th (Q)
			Anderson	1:46.82, 37th
AUGUST 8				
TF	Men's 800m	Repechage	Anderson	1:46.10, 17th
TF	Men's Javelin	Final	Peters	1:25 p.m.
AUGUST 9				
TF	Men's 4x400m Relay	First Round	Eppie	4:05 a.m.
TF	Men's 800m	Semifinal	Arop	4:30 a.m.
AUGUST 10				
TF	Men's 800m	Final	Arop	12:05 p.m.
TF	Men's 4x400m Relay	Final	Eppie	2 p.m.

WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING...
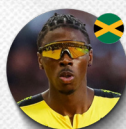
MEN'S 800M - REPECHAGE
Navasky Anderson (JAM)
Anderson, 1:46.10, 17th

NEXT UP...

MEN'S JAVELIN - FINAL
Anderson Peters (GRN)
1:25 p.m. CT / 8:25 p.m. Local
Stade de France (Paris, France)

NOTEWORTHY

GENERAL
- Mississippi State's last Olympic medal came 24 years ago at the 2000 Sydney Games when Jude Monye (NGR) and the Nigerian 4x400m relay team finished second but were awarded the gold medal when Team USA was later disqualified for doping offense.
- No Bulldog has ever won a medal in a field event.

REPECHAGE RUNDOWN
- Navasky Anderson (JAM) saw his Olympic run come to an end this morning in the repechage round of the men's 800m. He finished fifth in his heat.
- Only the four heat winners and the next two fastest athletes advanced to the semifinals. Anderson's time was 17th.
- He was the first Jamaican man to run the 800m at the Olympics since the 2008 Beijing Games.

GOING FOR GOLD
- Two-time world champion Anderson Peters (GRN) will try to add Olympic gold to his resume on Thursday afternoon.
- Peters had the second-longest throw in qualifying on Tuesday, and his personal-best of 93.07m is two and half meters beyond the current Olympic record.
- If he finishes among the top three, he'll be the first Bulldog to ever medal in a field event and give State its first Olympic medal since 2000.
- Peters is the only Olympic javelin thrower in his nation's history. He was the first athlete from the Americas to win gold at the World Championship in the event in 2019 and defended that title in 2022. Keshorn Walcott (TTO) is the only athlete from the Caribbean to win Olympic gold in the javelin.
- Grenada has only won four Olympic medals as a nation. Prior to this year all were by Kirani James in the men's 400m. James has won gold, silver and bronze in the 2012, 2016 and 2020 Games.
- Lindon Victor (GRN) won bronze in the decathlon earlier this week.

LONG LIVE THE KING
- Marco Arop (CAN) is attempting to become just the second reigning world champion in the 800m to win Olympic gold the following year. David Rudisha (KEN) did so at both the 2016 Rio and 2012 London Games.
- The only other reigning world champions to medal in the event were Wilson Kipketer (DEN), who won silver at the 2000 Sydney Games, and Alfred Kirwa Yego (KEN), who won bronze in Beijing in 2008.
- Though the reigning world champion, Arop entered the Olympics ranked No. 2 in the world behind Emmanuel Wanyonyi (KEN), who ran a 1:41.58, which ranks fourth in world history, in July.
- The men's 800m is the only track and field event at this year's Olympic Games where the reigning gold medalist is not present in the field.

MONUMENTAL MEDALS - MEN'S 800M
- The reigning world champion, Marco Arop (CAN) is a favorite for the podium in the men's 800m. No Canadian man has ever won gold at the Olympics, and Arop was the first to win a World Championships gold in the event.
- Canada boasts four Olympic medals in the 800m: silver and bronze in 1932, bronze in 1936 and silver in 1964.

RELATING TO RELAYS
- Lee Eppie (BOT) will look to continue State's tradition of success in the 4x400m relay beginning Friday. Three of the Bulldogs' four Olympic medals in track and field came in that event.
- Jude Monye (NGR) won gold in 2000, State's last Olympic medal, after the United States was disqualified for doping offenses. Monye and Nigeria set an African record in the race.
- Falilat Ogunkoya (NGR) won a silver medal in the relay at the 1996 Atlanta Games.
- Commodore Scott Cochran (USA) won the Bulldogs' first medal in school history at the 1924 Paris Games 100 years ago, setting a world record in the process.

MONUMENTAL MEDALS - MEN'S 4X400M
- Lee Eppie (BOT) will run on Botswana's 4x400m relay team, which won its first medal in the event in Tokyo in 2021. Botswana has clocked national records in the Olympic final in each of the last two Games.
- Botswana has never won an Olympic gold medal in any sport. It has one bronze medal and one silver in track and field.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MEN'S 4X400M RELAY - FIRST ROUND
FINAL: August 9 | 4:05 a.m.
NOTEWORTHY: Lee Eppie (BOT) will look to continue State's tradition of success in the 4x400m relay...Three of the Bulldogs' four Olympic medals in track and field came in that event, and two were won by African nations...Jude Monye (NGR) won gold in 2000, which stands as State's most-recent medal, after the United States was disqualified for doping offenses...Botswana has never won an Olympic gold in any sport, but they won bronze in the men's 4x400m relay in Tokyo.

MEN'S 800M - SEMIFINALS
FINAL: August 9 | 4:30 a.m.
NOTEWORTHY: Marco Arop (CAN) is trying to become just the second reigning world champion to win Olympic gold in the men's 800m...He is ranked No. 2 in the world in the event...Arop did not have to run the repechage round because he automatically advanced from the first round when he finished second in his heat...Arop also made the semifinals in his Olympic debut in Tokyo and has reached three world championships finals, but has not reached an Olympic final.