



# CYCLING

SPEED, TACTICS ... AND SOMETIMES NO BRAKES!

Cycling consists of track, road, BMX and mountain bike disciplines. All told, 18 gold medals are handed out, divided evenly between men and women. Two-time London silver medalist Sarah Hammer leads a young U.S. women's track team, while a top Great Britain squad includes defending Olympic champions Laura Trott and Bradley Wiggins. Road contenders include 2012 bronze winners Chris Froome (U.K.) and Alexander Kristoff (Norway) and gold medalist Marianne Vos (Netherlands). In BMX watch for defending champs Maris Strombergs (Latvia) and Mariana Pajon (Colombia), and mountain biking features the anticipated returns of 2012 winner Jaroslav Kulhavy (Czech Republic) and bronze medalist Georgia Gould (U.S.).

8/6-7 M; 8/10-16 M; 8/17 Q; 8/19-21 M

Sarah Hammer



# DIVING

DIVING: BOUDIA CARRIES AMERICAN HOPES

Diving competitions are held at two heights, a 3-meter springboard and a 10-meter platform, with athletes competing individually and in pairs (aka synchronized). A total of eight gold medals are awarded to male and female divers.

Once again, China figures to be a major force here, with serious gold medal contenders in the women's springboard (He Zi) and men's and women's platform (Qiu Bo, Chen Ruolin). In synchronized events, Ilya Zakharov/Evgeny Kuznetsov of Russia figure to vie for gold with Great Britain's Jack Laugher/Chris Mears in the springboard, while Team USA's David Boudia/Steele Johnson should bag hardware in the platform.

8/7-10 M; 8/12-13 Q; 8/14 M; 8/15 Q; 8/16 M; 8/17 Q; 8/18 M; 8/19 Q; 8/20 M

David Boudia



# EQUESTRIAN

EQUESTRIANS DON'T JUST HORSE AROUND

The only Olympic sport in which an animal is involved are the equestrian ones, which include dressage, jumping and eventing in both individual and team formats. This is also the only sport where men and women compete against each other. Horsemanship is the name of the game as the rider's task is to bring out the ultimate graciousness and athleticism of the animal they command. In some cases retired (off-the-track) thoroughbreds find their way into the competition. Pan-American Games gold medalist Boyd Martin and Master Frisky, his Irish Sport Horse, aim to put the U.S. back in the medal count after coming up short in 2012.

8/6-8 Q; 8/9 M; 8/10-12 Q; 8/14 Q; 8/15 M; 8/16 Q; 8/17 M; 8/19 M



## Athlete Profile

DAVID BOUDIA

**Full Name:** David Alasdair Boudia

**Credentials:** Olympic Gold and Bronze Medalist, 2012

**Country:** USA

**Birthplace:** Abilene, Texas

**Factoids:** Boudia was a member of the 2008 Olympic team. He served as a judge on the reality TV show *Splash* in 2013

**Birth date:** April 24, 1989

**Height/Weight:** 5-foot, 9-inches/160-pounds

**Events:** Individual and Synchronized Platform