

Worksheet

Athletic season 2023

Katie Moon has been the dominant force in the women's pole vault for a third successive outdoor season. The Olympic champion in Tokyo and the world champion on home soil in Oregon last year, the 32-year-old US vaulter has notched victories on the Diamond League circuit in Doha, Florence and Lausanne and heads the 2023 world outdoor list with the 4.90m clearance that earned her a first US outdoor title on a happy return to Hayward Field on 9 July.

With vaults of 4.82m, 4.81m and 4.80m also to her name, Moon boasts four of the top six marks this year, heading into the World Athletics Championships Budapest 23. However, the former gymnast has been beaten three times, no-heighting at the Drake Relays in May, finishing third behind Australia's Commonwealth Games champion Nina Kennedy and France's Margot Chevrier in Paris, and second on countback to Finland's Wilma Murto in the London Diamond League on 23 July.

Murto cleared a season's best 4.80m in the English capital and the victory will have provided a timely psychological boost to the 25-year-old who improved by a staggering 13cm to claim the European title with a 4.85m clearance in Munich last year. Making the podium at global level would represent further progression for the flying Finn, who won the European indoor title in Istanbul in March. She finished joint sixth in Oregon last year and equal fifth at the Tokyo Olympics.

For Moon, apart from the chance of landing a first global gold medal under her married name, there is the prospect of becoming only the third woman to win back-to-back world outdoor titles, following in the footsteps of her compatriot Stacy Dragila (1999-2001) and Russia's Yelena Isinbayeva (2005-2007).

As Katie Nageotte, she won on countback in Oregon last year from US teammate and former training partner Sandi Morris, both women scaling 4.85m, with Kennedy third (4.80m), Slovenia's Tina Šutej fourth and Greece's former world and Olympic champion Katerina Stefanídi fifth (both 4.70m).

Morris, runner up in the last three world outdoor finals, beat Moon to world indoor gold in Belgrade in March last year but has endured a disappointing outdoor season. The 31-year-old's season's best, 4.71m, dates back to the Doha Diamond League meeting on 5 May, when she finished third to Moon and Šutej. Her other Diamond League outings have yielded fifth-place finishes in Florence and Paris, and sixth in London.

Šutej, the world indoor bronze medallist, cleared a season's best of 4.76m in Doha and the Slovenian vaulter has also finished second in Florence, third in London and fourth in Lausanne. She was second to Moon (4.83m) on the 2023 indoor lists, with 4.82m.

Kennedy is just ahead on season's outdoor bests courtesy of a 4.77m vault that secured victory in Paris. The 2022 Diamond League final winner has also placed third in Paris and fourth in London.

Second to Moon on the world outdoor list in Eliza McCartney, the 2016 Olympic bronze medallist who has been plagued by achilles tendon trouble in recent years. The 26-year-old New Zealander has only one made one Diamond League appearance in 2023, placing third behind Moon and Murto in Lausanne, but nailed a 4.85m vault at Schiffflange in Luxembourg on 30 July, her best mark for four years.

Stefanídi has not finished outside the top five in a global final indoors or out since 2015 but the 33-year-old's stock has fallen somewhat this season. On the Diamond League circuit, she opened with a solid enough fourth-place in Doha but slumped to eighth in Florence and Paris and ninth in Lausanne before rallying to fifth in London with a season's best of 4.62m.

Canada's 2018 Commonwealth champion Alysha Newman has cleared 4.73m and Chevrier, New Zealander Olivia McTaggart, Britain's Commonwealth silver medallist Molly Caudery and Bridget Williams of the US have all negotiated 4.71m. Williams went higher indoors, 4.77m, while Amalie Švábíková of the Czech Republic, who took European indoor bronze behind Murto and Šutej in Istanbul, cleared 4.72m.

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Medal winners			Relevant records		
2013 Europe indoor			WR	5.06 Elena Isinbaeva	RUS Zürich 28/8/09
1	Holly Bleasdale	GBR 4.67	WJR	4.71 Wilma Murto	FIN Zweibrücken 31/1/16
2	Anna Rogowska	POL 4.67	EUR	5.06 Elena Isinbaeva	RUS Zürich 28/8/09
3	Anzhelika Sidorova	RUS 4.62	Ame	5.03 Jenn Suhr	USA Brockport NY 30 Jan 2016
2013 World			Afr	4.42 Elmarie Gerryts	RSA Wesel 12/6/00
1	Elena ISINBAEVA	RUS 4.89	Asi	4.66 Li Ling	CHN Wuhan 6/6/15
2	Jennifer SUHR	USA 4.82	CZE	4.76 Jiřina Ptáčnicková	CZE Plzeň 4/9/13
3	Yarisley SILVA	CUB 4.82	WIR	5.03 Jenn Suhr	USA Brockport NY 30 Jan 2016
2014 World indoor			CZE i	4.72 Amálie Švábíková	CZE Ostrava 18 Feb 2023
1	Yarisley SILVA	CUB 4.70	All-time list		
2	Anzhelika SIDOROVA	RUS 4.70	1	5.06 Yelena Isinbayeva	RUS Zürich 28 Aug 2009
3	Jirina SVOBODOVÁ	CZE 4.70	2	5.01 Anzhelika Sidorova	RUS Zürich 9 Sep 2021
2014 Europe			3	5.00 Sandi Morris	USA Bruxelles 9 Sep 2016
1	Anzhelika Sidorova	RUS 4.65	4	4.95 Katie Moon	USA Eugene OR 26 Jun 2021
2	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.60	5	4.94 Eliza McCartney	NZL Jockgrim 17 Jul 2018
3	Angelina Zhuk-Krasnova	RUS 4.60	6	4.93 Jenn Suhr	USA Austin TX 14 Apr 2018
2015 Europe indoor			7	4.91 Yarisley Silva	CUB Beckum 2 Aug 2015
1	Anzhelika Sidorova	RUS 4.80	7	4.91 Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE London 6 Aug 2017
2	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.75	9	4.90 Holly Bradshaw	GBR Manchester 26 Jun 2021
3	Angelica Bengtsson	SWE 4.70	10	4.88 Svetlana Feofanova	RUS Iráklio 4 Jul 2004
2015 World			11	4.87 Fabiana Murer	BRA São Bernardo do Ca 3 Jul 2016
1	Yarisley Silva	CUB 4.90	World season list		
2	Fabiana Murer	BRA 4.85	1	4.90 Katie Moon	USA Eugene OR 9 Jul
3	Nikoléta Kiriakopoúlou	GRE 4.80	2	4.85 Eliza McCartney	NZL Schiffflange 30 Jul
2016 World indoor			3	4.80 Wilma Murto	FIN London 23 Jul
1	Jenn Suhr	USA 4.90	4	4.77 Nina Kennedy	AUS Paris 9 Jun
2	Sandi Morris	USA 4.85	5	4.76 Tina Šutej	SLO Doha 5 May
3	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.80	6	4.75 Polina Knoroz	RUS Cheboksary 17 Jun
2016 Europe			6	4.75 Iryna Zhuk	BLR Brest 1 Jul
1	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.81	8	4.73 Alysha Newman	CAN Langley 29 Jul
2	Lisa Ryzih	GER 4.70	9	4.71 Olivia McTaggart	NZL Auckland 11 Mar
3	Angelica Bengtsson	SWE 4.65	9	4.71 Sandi Morris	USA Doha 5 May
2016 Olympic			9	4.71 Margot Chevrier	FRA Paris 9 Jun
1	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.85	World indoor season list		
2	Sandi Morris	USA 4.85	1	4.83 Katie Moon	USA Liévin 15 Feb
3	Eliza McCartney	NZL 4.80	2	4.82 Tina Šutej	SLO Ostrava 2 Feb
2017 Europe indoor			3	4.80 Wilma Murto	FIN Istanbul 4 Mar
1	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.85	4	4.78 Alysha Newman	CAN Birmingham 25 Feb
2	Lisa Ryzih	GER 4.75	5	4.77 Bridget Guy Williams	USA Brighton MA 4 Feb
3	Maryna Klylypko	UKR 4.55	6	4.72 Amálie Švábíková	CZE Ostrava 18 Feb
2017 World			7	4.71 Polina Knoroz	RUS Moskva 15 Feb
1	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.91	8	4.66A Emily Grove	USA Albuquerque NM 18 Feb
2	Sandi Morris	USA 4.75	9	4.63 Xu Huiqin	CHN Val-de-Reuil 4 Feb
3	Rosbeilys Peinado	VEN 4.65	10	4.62 Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE New York NY 11 Feb
2018 World indoor			10	4.62 Roberta Bruni	ITA Ancona 18 Feb
1	Sandi Morris	USA 4.95	European list		
2	Anzhelika Sidorova	RUS 4.90	1	4.80 Wilma Murto	FIN London 23 Jul
3	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.80	2	4.76 Tina Šutej	SLO Doha 5 May
2018 Europe			3	4.75 Polina Knoroz	RUS Cheboksary 17 Jun
1	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.85	3	4.75 Iryna Zhuk	BLR Brest 1 Jul
2	Nikoléta Kiriakopoúlou	GRE 4.80	5	4.71 Margot Chevrier	FRA Paris 9 Jun
3	Holly Bradshaw	GBR 4.75	5	4.71 Molly Caudery	GBR Manchester 8 Jul
2019 Europe indoor			7	4.64 Amálie Švábíková	CZE Ostrava 27 Jun
1	Anzhelika Sidorova	RUS 4.85	8	4.62 Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE London 23 Jul
2	Holly Bradshaw	GBR 4.75	8	4.62 Angelica Moser	SUI Chengdu 4 Aug
3	Nikoléta Kiriakopoúlou	GRE 4.65	10	4.61 Roberta Bruni	ITA Firenze 2 Jun
2019 World			10	4.61 Holly Bradshaw	GBR Manchester 8 Jul
1	Anzhelika Sidorova	RUS 4.95	Czech list		
2	Sandi Morris	USA 4.90	1	4.64 Amálie Švábíková	CZE Ostrava 27 Jun
3	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.85	4.61	Amálie Švábíková	Pizeň 27 May
2021 Europe indoor			4.60	Amálie Švábíková	Chorzów 24 Jun
1	Angelica Moser	SUI 4.75	4.60	Amálie Švábíková	Tábor 30 Jul
2	Tina Šutej	SLO 4.70	4.46	Amálie Švábíková	Turku 13 Jun
3	Holly Bradshaw	GBR 4.65	2	4.42 Nikola Pöschlová	CZE Leuven 5 Aug
2021 Olympic			3	4.30 Viktorie Ondrová	CZE Tábor 30 Jul
1	Katie Nageotte	USA 4.90	4.25	Amálie Švábíková	Brno 14 May
2	Anzhelika Sidorova	RUS 4.85	4.25	Nikola Pöschlová	Mössingen-Belsen 17 Jun
3	Holly Bradshaw	GBR 4.85	4.23	Amálie Švábíková	Kolín 20 Jul
2022 World indoor			4	4.21 Zuzana Pražáková	CZE Bangkok 25 Feb
1	Sandi Morris	USA 4.80	Czech indoor list		
2	Katie Nageotte	USA 4.75	1	4.72 Amálie Švábíková	CZE Ostrava 18 Feb
3	Tina Šutej	SLO 4.75	4.70	Amálie Švábíková	Istanbul 4 Mar
2022 World			4.66	Amálie Švábíková	Clermont-Ferrand 25 Feb
1	Katie Nageotte	USA 4.85	4.57	Amálie Švábíková	Ostrava 2 Feb
2	Sandi Morris	USA 4.85	4.45	Amálie Švábíková	Istanbul 3 Mar
3	Nina Kennedy	AUS 4.80	2	4.35 Nikola Pöschlová	CZE Praha 14 Jan
2022 Europe			4.31	Amálie Švábíková	Praha 29 Jan
1	Wilma Murto	FIN 4.85	4.25	Nikola Pöschlová	Praha 8 Jan
2	Ekateríni Stefanídi	GRE 4.75	3	4.25 Zuzana Pražáková	CZE Praha 22 Jan
3	Tina Šutej	SLO 4.75	4.17	Nikola Pöschlová	Ostrava 2 Feb
2023 Europe indoor			4.15	Zuzana Pražáková	Praha 4 Feb
1	Wilma Murto	FIN 4.80			
2	Tina Šutej	SLO 4.75			
3	Amálie Švábíková	CZE 4.70			

