



USA Olympian visits Bermuda for the fifth annual Schools Track and Field Challenge

(Hamilton, Bermuda, 10 March 2005) USA Olympian and 2004 men's triple jump finalist Kenta Bell is in Bermuda to promote the fifth annual Bank of Bermuda Foundation West End Athletic Club's Schools Track and Field Challenge to be held on Saturday 12 March 2005, at the National Sports Centre, starting at 10am.

The event, sponsored by Bank of Bermuda Foundation and hosted by the West End Athletic Club is expected to attract over 20 schools and 250 participants.

The events include discus, shot put, long jump, triple jump, 100M, 200M, 300M, 400M, 800M, 1500M and the exciting 4 x 100M and 4 x 400M relays.

A points system will determine the first, second and third place winners in the Primary, Middle and Secondary School categories. The school with the most accumulated points will be presented with the Bank of Bermuda Foundation School Shield.

Kenta Bell will be attending the event on Saturday in support of Bermuda's junior athletes and will be available to present medals to some of the participants.

WEAC President, Mr. Clarence Smith said, " We are pleased to have Kenta Bell here in Bermuda to help promote our fifth annual Schools Track and Field Challenge. This event provides our young people with a positive venue to showcase their talents and athletic abilities. Having Kenta here will hopefully help to motivate and inspire our junior athletes to reach higher levels of competition."

Press Release

David Lang, Director and Secretary, Bank of Bermuda Foundation said, “ We are delighted to partner with WEAC again this year in support of this annual event for our junior athletes. We recognise that sport plays a vital role in the all round development of our young people and are pleased to host this event promoting active lifestyles for our young people in a healthy competitive environment.”

Over 200 junior athletes representing nineteen schools participated in the 2004 event with first place awarded to Sandys Middle School.

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Notes to Editors:

- Bank of Bermuda Foundation helps charities that support the community and people, preserve our local heritage, culture and environment, and help develop the youth of Bermuda. It also offers several scholarships. Established in 2000, the Foundation incorporates the Centennial Trust, Charitable Trust, and Educational Trust, which were established by Bank of Bermuda to support the community in Bermuda.
- Since 1989, more than \$16.9 million has been donated to charitable Bermudian organisations.
- Applications can be made to Bank of Bermuda Foundation throughout the year on behalf of charitable organisations. Guidelines about what information is needed and who to send it to can be found in the Bank of Bermuda Foundation brochure, which can be picked up from all

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