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KHALID MULAZIM SETS WORLD M50 RECORD AT MASTERS INVITATIONAL RACE AT USATF OPEN NATIONAL TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP

Wrap-up of the USATF Masters Invitational Program, W1000 Meter Women's Race, 2:45pm, & M400 Meter Men's Race, 2:55pm, Sunday, March 5, 2017, at the Albuquerque Convention Center, Albuquerque, NM, during US Open Championship

Masters Men's (Age 50) 400 World Record Falls @ US Indoor Championships:

The Men's 400 Invitational Race was very exciting. The oldest man in the race, **Khalid Mulazim** (age 50) representing the Southwest Sprinters Track Club, led the race until the final 45 meters, when he got past by the overall winner, **Gabriel Fuzat** (age 42) also of Southwest Sprinters Track Club, and Pearland, TX, who won the race in 51.58. **Khalid finishing second overall, broke the Men's 400 Meter World Record of 52.38, with a time of 52.02.** **Brian Duff** (age 40) representing Track Club L.A., was third right on Mulazim's heels in a time of 52.37. **Jason Rhodes** (age 44) representing So Cal Track Club. and from Actadenia, CA, ran 53.37, and **David Cahill** (age 40), representing Greater Boston Track Club., and Newton, MA, finished in 54.24.

In the Masters Women's 1000 Invitational Race, Sonja Friend-Uhl, age 45, representing Atlanta Track Club, dominated the race leading wire to wire in 2:56.65. The race for second place was very competitive with **Lisa Valle**, age 50, New Mexico Track Club, and Albuquerque, NM, out-kicking, **Terry Ballou**, age 49, Athena Track Club, and Conway, New Hampshire, in 3:14.17, and 3:16.04, respectively. Followed by **Laura Mitchell**, age 40, Team Rogue, 3:18.05, and **Anna Mayhew-Rozek**, age 41, 3:27.31.

(Release draft and race execution by Mark Cleary and Jill Vollweiler)