

Former NFL Star Chad Johnson's Daughter Sets 800-Meter National Record and Wins AAU National Club Championship at Disney

Miami runner **Cha'iel Johnson**, 12, daughter of former NFL wide receiver **Chad Johnson**, **eclipsed her national record for the girls' 800-meter race (12-year-olds division) Wednesday morning with a time of 2:14.80** to win the AAU National Club Championship at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World Resort. Johnson – a member of The Miami Gardens Xpress Track Club and the **nation's No. 1-ranked 800m runner** in her age group – beat her previous record of 2:16.35.

In addition to the 800m, Johnson competed in the 1500m for the first time in her career on Thursday morning and won her age group in 4:47.92. Later this summer, Johnson will compete in the AAU Junior Olympic Games in Detroit, Mi., where she will attempt to defend her 2016 800m title (2:19.16). She also won an AAU Junior Olympic title in 2015 in the 400m (1:01.57).

More than 5,000 track and field athletes are competing for top honors in the AAU National Club Championships at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex July 10 – 15. The event features the best sprinters, distance runners and field competitors from across the country, Barbados and Puerto Rico. The AAU National Club Championships are the final qualifying event before the AAU Junior Olympic Games.