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VC LANDS STYLISH DOUBLE AT FLORIDA MEET

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Double Olympic champion Veronica Campbell-Brown sounded a warning she will be ready to run the sprint double at the Jamaica Amateur Athletics Association's (JAAA's) National Senior Trials later this month after two good runs at a meet at the University of Central Florida yesterday.

In only her third outing of the season after a setback due to an infected toe on her left foot, Campbell-Brown captured the 100m in 11.04 seconds running into a headwind of 1.1 m/s, then blazed her pet event, the 200m, in a fast 22.58 seconds (-0.2 m/s).

The pocket-sized dynamo was running the longer sprint for the first time this season after two 100m races and the time makes her the fastest Jamaican over the distance so far this year.

Olympic bronze medallist Kerron Stewart clocked 22.62 seconds earlier this year in Temple, Arizona, while Simone Facey ran 22.65 seconds at the Reebok Grand Prix in New York two weeks ago.

Earlier, in the 100m, Campbell-Brown won impressively in her first legal run of the season as her two previous events were run in wind speed over the 2.0 m/s limit and ties American Shalonda Solomon as the fourth fastest in the world so far.

Aileen Bailey was second in 11.23 seconds, while Facey was third in 11.29 seconds.

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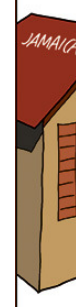
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