Ontario Masters Track and Field Association



Annual General Meeting 2005

Date; Wednesday, June 8th, 7:18pm **Location;** Room 3B Sport Alliance, Toronto

Attendance;

Directors; Bruce Mitchell, Alan Davis, Lily Whalen, John Olivierre, Jim Pascoe, Jim Flowers,

Brian Keaveney (Vice President), Doug Smith (President), Bill McIlwaine

Members; Jack Castle, Bob Moore.

President's Report;

Doug noted that the OMTFA is a very event-oriented association.

We will be adding new event—the Summer Mini Meet in July.

Doug thanked all of the directors for all of their efforts all year, and thanked Jean Horne, who will be retiring from the board, for looking after OMTFA merchandise for many years.

Financial Report;

Richard reported that, at the end of the fiscal year (March 31st), we had \$5,710 in free equity.

We received a \$2,000 donation from the OTFA. This is the remnant of our government grant.

We also received a \$500 donation from Bell Canada and \$100 from the DUCA bank.

The events themselves showed a virtual balance between the \$13,532 that we took in as entry fees and the \$13,529 that we spent as expenses to put on the events. Doug noted that this illustrates our philosophy of keeping the entry fees as low as possible for the benefit of our members.

Motion to accept - Brian / Second - Bruce - Passed

Director's Reports;

Awards:

Jim F. is still pursuing the concept of a new medal, after receiving no feedback for a new design.

We have sufficient inventory for all of this year and most of next year's events.

Jim and Lily discussed the design and cost of the racewalk medals. There is a peel-off sheet of foil that is placed on the medal that has the event information.

Bob Moore suggests looking at a smaller medal, like the one used at the Alfie Scrub race in Bowmanville.

Communications:

Doug discussed the OMTFA sections in the four MASTERpiece magazines through the year. We continue to pay for the mailing costs to OMTFA members.

There was discussion about posting the magazine on the web site. There were pros and cons to this idea.

The Ontario Masters News is frequently emailed to members and interested parties.

There was a discussion about the Canadian Records Book.

Equipment:

Brian summarized our purchases over the year - a wind gauge, discus, shots, the new Hytek program. The big clock is still operational.

Insurance;

Alan reported on the new policy that we just received. Alan mentioned that we should look at screening volunteers under 'due diligence' to make sure that we are free from liability under the 'abuse and molestation' exclusion. Doug will look into the OTFA methods for this screening. Jack will look into removing the 'abuse and molestation' exclusion from the policy.

Membership;

Doug noted that Ontario Masters membership numbers are the highest in years. Perhaps some of this is due to this being a world championship year, or the fact that more people are interested in participating in our events.

Multi Events:

John noted the Indoor Pentathlon was cancelled due to lack of participation..

The Weight Pentathlon will be incorporated with the OMTFA Championships this year.

Racewalking;

Lily reported on the Art Keay Memorial race that hosted the NCCWMA Championship.

16 Canadians and one American entered the event. They will look at a different weekend next year.

Throwing;

Doug noted the popularity of being able to hold the Weight Throw indoors with the cage at York.

Web Site:

Jim P. reported the large number of inquires from non-members. There is a lot of activity before and after the events. The SONY photo site also receives a large number of hits.

WMA:

Brian reported on the team for Spain and the status of the Edmonton Games. Brian is the NCCWMA President. Brian Oxley is running for the WMA Council as Secretary.

Constitutional Amendments;

Doug wanted to change the constitution to reflect the increased number of directors. The constitution states there is a maximum number. Jim P. suggests looking at the entire constitution to see where we can update it to meet our needs and those of future executives. Doug will post the document and suggest changes. These will be issued to the membership for their consideration. Bob Moore suggests holding a special meeting (while we're waiting for the cross-country awards) to ratify any changes.

Executive Elections;

It was noted that Don used to run our elections for many years.

The following slate of officers was offered for nomination by the Executive;

President	Doug Smith	Nominated - Brian / Second - Lily / Acclaimed.
Treasurer	Richard Kihn	Nominated - Doug / Second - Jim F. / Acclaimed

Directors	Rudy Boghina	Norm Creen	Alan Davis
	Jim Flowers	Brian Keaveney	Bill McIlwaine
	Bruce Mitchell	John Olivierre	Jim Pascoe

Lily Whalen

There were no nominations from the floor.

Adjourned; 8:45pm Motion - Brian / Second - Bob