

To: All USATF Ohio Association Officials

As this year draws to a close I would like to thank each of you for your service to the sport of track & field. Because of your efforts and expertise athletes receive just and fair competition.

At the recent USATF Annual Meeting the following Ohio Association officials were selected to work the USATF Indoor and Outdoor 2013 Championships.

Officials selected for the Indoor Championships in Albuquerque, NM

Elinor Tootle CE Coordinator Women
Larry Dixon Clerk
Terri Eldridge Clerk
Randy Hopkins Head - High Jump
Brett Newsome Pole Vault
Sam Gomer Pole Vault - Alt
Bill Buttermore Head Starter
Jeff Bauer Throws Crew
Scott Bauer Throws Crew
Scott Rose Head Throws Crew
Karen Krsak Clerk Management / Referee

Officials Selected for the Outdoor Championships in Des Moines, IA

Terri Eldridge Clerk
Scott Rose Discus
Jeff Bauer Shot Put
Brian Stephens Shot Put
Carolee Stephens Shot Put
Jim Flanik Technical Manager
Michael Kempf Long / Triple Jumps
Karen Krsak Clerk Management / Referee

There was no selection of officials for the 2013 Indoor Combine Championships conducted in Bloomington, IN the past several years due to the fact this Championship for 2013 will now be part of the Indoor Championship in Albuquerque, NM.

Elections

2013 was the year for elections for many of the disciplines within USATF. Three Ohio Association officials will continue on in their respective positions for another four years. Stephanie Hightower as President of USATF, Karen Krsak as Chair of the Association Committee and myself as Chair of the National Officials Committee.

Other Annual Meeting news Scott Rose received two awards one from the Association Chair, Karen Krsak for outstanding work in putting together the new Ohio Association website and the second award from the Officials Committee for his efforts in officiating championship meets.

A special thank you to Jeff Bauer, Randy Hopkins and Scott Rose for distributing the Commemorative Olympic Trials shirts and other material at the Annual Meeting.

Re-certification

Officials re-certification for the new Olympiad is well underway. I have re-certified 50 plus individuals as of this date. In addition I am sitting on over 40 re-certifications sent to me without a membership number. if

you were waiting to purchase a 2013 membership number after November 1, 2012 and now have that number please send it to me so that I can process your re-certification.

If you know of someone interested in becoming a certified officials send me their name and address and I'll get a certification packet to them. We need to fill our ranks with new younger officials.

2013 Championship Meets

The selection of officials for the NCAA Div III Indoor Championships in Naperville , IL has been completed. The Ohio Association will have 29 out of 71 officials working the meet.

Selection of officials for the Big Ten Outdoor Championships at Ohio State in May of 2013 has also been completed. This meet will have a good mix of officials, majority from the Ohio Association but also many from around the country.

Jesse Owens Meet

Officials are still needed for the Jesse Owens Meet at Ohio State on April 19 - 20, 2013. If you are interested in working this meet let me know 614-899-6073 h, 614-395-4592 c, or e-mail n2track@aol.com.

Clinic

The annual USATF Ohio Association officials clinic will be conducted on Sunday, January 20, 2013 at Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio. The clinic will start at 9:00 am and conclude by 5:00 pm. Scott Rose has assembled a great list of presenters. As in the past there will be food, beverage, snacks, many door prizes and awards. For further information and updates regarding the clinic go to the Ohio Association website.

Rule Books

I have a supply of the new NCAA 2013 - 2014 rule books. If you are in need of one let me know and I'll send you one. The cost per book is \$10.00. The USATF 2013 rule books, as usual, will not be available until mid February, cost per book \$10.00.

Commemorative Shirt

The Olympic Trial commemorative shirt which was promised to all officials that worked the 2008 and 2012 Olympic Trials are in. Several Ohio officials picked up their shirt at the Annual Meeting. I will attempt to get a shirt to you if you were not at the meeting as soon as possible.

In closing if you have not sent me your re-certification material to date please do so as soon as possible. Also if you have sent me your material but did not have a 2013 membership number at the time, but have obtained one since, send me the number so that I can process your new credential.

Have a "Great Holiday Season"

Len Krsak
USATF Ohio Association Certification Chair
USATF National Officials Committee Chair