

# **USA TRACK & FIELD – NEW ENGLAND ANNUAL MEETING**

**Monday, September 16, 2002 7:00 p.m.**

**Gosman Athletic Center, Brandeis University  
415 South Street, Waltham, Massachusetts**

## **AGENDA**

6:00 p.m. Sign-in and collect reports

7:00 p.m. Meeting

- 1 Establish Quorum
- 2 Opening Remarks – Marja Bakker, President
- 3 Managing Director's Report – Steve Vaitones
- 4 Treasurer's Report – James O'Brien
- 5 Reports from Officers and Sports Committee Chairs  
For the efficient conduct of the meeting written reports from all Officers, Athlete Representatives and Sports Chairmen will be available in writing at sign-in.
- 6 Elections
  - The following officers will be elected for a two-year term:
    - President
    - Vice-Presidents (Up to three)
    - Treasurer
    - Secretary
  - The following positions will be elected for a one-year term:  
Sports Committee Chairmen for:
    - Cross Country Running
    - Men's, Women's and Masters' Long Distance Running
    - Mountain, Ultra and Trail Running
    - Racewalking
    - Track & Field, and Masters' Track & Field
    - Youth Athletics
  - Three Athlete Representatives
- 7 Selection of twelve (12) Delegates to represent the New England Association and act in its best interest at the USATF Annual Meeting.
- 8 Such other business as may be presented to the Meeting.

## **VOTING CRITERIA** (from the USATF-NE by-laws, Article 6A)

- 1 All club members and all individual members of the Association are eligible to attend meetings and vote. Every voter, whether voting as an individual member or as the representative of a club member, must be a minimum of age eighteen (18) on the day of the meeting.
- 2 Every individual member and every club member shall have one (1) vote. One (1) person shall cast only one (1) ballot; there shall be no proxy voting.
- 3 Every officer and sports committee chairperson of USA Track & Field - New England shall have one vote.
- 4 Voting membership deadline: Except for renewals from the previous year, individuals must be members in the month which ends more than one full month preceding the meeting (e.g., for this meeting memberships must have been processed by July 31<sup>st</sup>)

The Annual Meeting of the Association provides individual and club members an excellent opportunity to voice their opinion, ask questions, and help elect the Board of Governors that works on behalf of the membership throughout the year, coordinating the sports of running, track & field, cross country, racewalking and mountain running, for all ages and abilities.

**USA Track & Field - New England**  
**Board of Governors**  
*Duties and Responsibilities*

**Association Officers**

The duties of the officers of the Association shall be those which are promulgated from time to time by the Board of Governors and, in addition, are as follows:

**President** Incumbent – Marja Bakker  
Preside at all meeting of executive committee, represent the association on regional and national affairs, and is an ex-officio member to all committees.

**Vice Presidents** Incumbents – Harry Brooks, Kathy Nary, Tom Petranoff  
(up to three to be elected)  
Serve with the president on local and national projects, attend Board of Governor committee meetings and championships.

**Secretary** Incumbent – Laurie Boemker  
Record minutes of monthly meetings and quarterly meetings, assist at championships, issue notices of meetings of the association.

**Treasurer** Incumbent – James O'Brien  
Oversee finances of the association, prepare yearly budget, assist in filing of taxes, prepare monthly financial statements.

**Sports Committee Chairs**

Responsibilities:

- Arrange for the conduct of championships and maintain historical records.
- Compile and make available a schedule of events. Arrange for minimal conflicts of events.
- Help promote events within the sport and attend championships.
- Serve as the first mediator in disputes among athletes, coaches and event directors related to the sport.
- Work to establish development programs and clinics which will increase participation and quality of the sport within the region.
- Work with the USATF-NE office in securing sponsorship for and conducting of special, regional, and national events as appropriate.
- Serve as the contact person and information source from within the association for national and special events.

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| <b>Cross Country Running</b> | Incumbent –  | Dan Hart  |
| <b>Long Distance Running</b> | Incumbents – | Men: Ken Robichaud<br>Women: Betsy Harshbarger<br>Masters: Lou Ristaino |
| <b>Mountain/Ultra/Trail</b>  | Incumbent –  | Dave Dunham   |
| <b>Racewalking</b>           | Incumbent –  | Justin Kuo  |
| <b>Track &amp; Field</b>     | Incumbent –  | Open: Michael Nary<br>Masters: Phil Byrne                               |
| <b>Youth Athletics</b>       | Incumbent –  | Ron Boemker   |

**Athlete Representatives**

Active competitive athletes to serve as a liaison between athletes, events, and association. Attend championships in association.

Three to be elected Incumbents – Ed Daniels, Jon Russell, and Chris Simpson

**Other Members of the Board**

**Past President**

The immediate past president serves on the BOG.

**Officials Chairman** Incumbent – Dave Post

The Officials Chairman is appointed by the President.

Responsibilities: Tests applicants for association level officials. Maintains list of USATF certified officials within association. Serves as the contact person and information source from within the association for national and special events.