

Derbyshire Athletics.

County Officials Up-date December 2013

Firstly a big thank you to all officials who have sent their Annual Records of Experience (ARE) in to us. So far 17 T&F Officials and 4 Endurance officials have submitted.

Can we ask that all officials submit AREs to us even if you submit (2c & 3) to a higher level, as it helps us to keep track of who is actively officiating, at whatever level and helps to keep the lines of communication open. At the recent England Athletics Annual Officials Forum for County Officials Secretaries one of the big items that came up in discussion was Communication, hence the reason for this update.

SPORTSHALL COMPETITIONS. Following discussions with other County Secretaries and Portfolio holders can any official who officiates in any capacity at Sportshall competitions please record them in your T&F ARE as days of competition attended. They, however, cannot be used as evidence for obtaining L2a Club or for up-grading to a higher level 2b County, 2c Regional.

CONGRATULATIONS go to TONY TRACE on being upgraded to L3 (P) Field Judge. Well done Tony a reward for all your hard work.

Also congratulations to Chris Cohen who has satisfied the IAAF criteria and is an ITO for another 4 years.

NEW OFFICIALS. At the L2 course held at Derby AC in October there were 27 attendees 15 of them from Derbyshire 10 Field Judging, 4 Track Judging 1 Time keeping. If you come across them in your travels please help them, encourage them and make them feel welcome. To the L2 course attendees, please make yourselves known to the senior officials and to those who you are working with. Make contact with the Referees and/or Chiefs because they need to write a comment on your (separate) logbook sheet (remember to bring it along because they may not have a copy with them). Don't be afraid to ask for help from your colleagues, we are a friendly bunch really. Also put it into your ARE as well as your Log book.

WELCOME To David Lindsey who has recently moved to Long Eaton from Kent. Dave is a very welcome addition to the County as a very experienced L3 Timekeeper, L2 Photo Finish Judge and L2c Endurance Time keeper. Dave relies heavily on public transport to get about so I am sure he will appreciate the offer of a lift to meetings from time to time.

TRACK & FIELD 2014 The list of Track & Field meetings for 2014 is being compiled. As soon as it is finalised the list will be distributed; this is now likely to be around the middle of January 2014 but it will be missing the ESAA Schools T&F Cup matches as the dates and venues for these will not be decided until entries are known at the end of February 2014.

REMINDER Please remember that the County Track & Field Championships will be at Moorways, Derby on 24th & 25th May. This is a fantastic meeting to really 'learn the ropes' because this is one of the few times all age groups and both genders compete together in the same meeting. An EDM machine has been booked for the Field Judges and athletes.

ENDURANCE Planning for the Combined Derbyshire & Nottinghamshire County Cross Country Championships at Shipley Park on 4th January 2014 is now well underway. If any Endurance Officials who have not been contacted already, wish to offer their services for the Championships please contact Ernie as soon as possible, so that we can give the usual high standard of service to the Athletes competing and make it another enjoyable, memorable and successful day.

U.K. ATHLETICS PORTAL. This has recently been updated and a new link created. If you have saved the link on your P.C. as a favourite in your favourites bar please delete it and access the data base from this new link. <https://myathletics.uka.org.uk/ManageMyClub/Members/Login> Your Log-in details remain the same (for most this is your license number) and your Password remains the same. Could you all please log

in as soon as you have time and check and amend your details (you can even update your photograph if you want)

THANKS To all of you who have contributed to Athletics in your Club or the County throughout the last year and we hope to enjoy your continued support throughout the next year. Please also remember to use the County Website as we now have our own Officials page.

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