

## **Derbyshire Athletics.**

### **County Officials Up-date 7.**

**January 2017**

Dear Official,

Welcome to this edition of Up-date for Derbyshire Technical Officials. Since the last edition of Up-date there have been several developments. You are now able to complete your Track & Field and Endurance Record of Experience (RoE) online. It is a simple process to do and for those looking for an up-grade it is extremely beneficial to use it. Firstly follow this link;

<https://livemyathletics.uka.org.uk/ManageMyClub/Members/Login>

Then log in to your portal as normal using your URN (licence) No and Password. On the left hand side of the screen appears a number of options, select Record of Experience and a new page will appear titled 'Record Of Experience' scroll to the bottom and click on 'Add New' a new smaller window will appear for you to complete, when you have completed all the relevant fields in the window remember to scroll to the bottom and click 'Save' The details will then appear in your 'Online' RoE. There is of course a 'However' and that is could you please also fill in the usual version of the RoE and send it on the relevant date as we cannot access your 'Online' version yet. You have to export it to us at the relevant date and we know many of you are not comfortable with using the 'Trinity' data base.

### **Congratulations.**

Congratulations to the following officials who have now qualified at or been up-graded to a higher level. India Hollingworth, Starter's Assistant now L3. Mark Hazlehurst, Track Judge now L2. Emma Nicol, now L1 Field Judge. Rob Marples, Track Judge L1

### **Officials Forum.**

The Officials Forum that Barry Parker and I proposed for County Technical Officials seems to have gone down like a 'Lead Balloon' having received only one expression of interest. You obviously have no burning issues that you think need to be discussed and brought to the attention of those higher up the ladder in UK / England Athletics with regard to competition, rules, officiating, education etc. So next year neither of us will expect to hear any gripes from Technical Officials about any of the aforementioned subjects.

### **Officials Education & Training**

This year we decided not to run an officials course except for Photo-finish as Nottinghamshire AAA provided a course at Harvey Hadden Stadium. The November PF course was cancelled due to lack of take up, this was very disappointing. If anyone is interested in attending a PF course please let us know and if possible give some dates in March 2017 when you are likely to be free and we will try to organise it.

**GOOD NEWS!** Recently the Officials Training and Education Sub-groups made the momentous decision to recognise Timekeeping as a separate discipline for Endurance events (at last). The Bad news with this is that Timekeepers can only achieve Level 1 as Endurance officials. To get to Level 2 or higher it is necessary to carry out a number of other tasks such as Starting, Starters assistant, Funnel judge, Funnel recorder, etc. Endurance Officials are expected to be versatile and able to work in any sub-discipline.

### **Sad News from Nottinghamshire.**

We were informed in October that Jack Walters, 'Gentleman Jack', a very long serving and very well liked Timekeeper from Nottinghamshire was very ill and in Hospital, sadly Jack passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> October aged 87 years. His Funeral held at a packed Bramcote Crematorium was on 8<sup>th</sup> November. There were very many colleagues from the world of Athletics Officiating and Derbyshire as a County Association was very well represented. I can only say that Track & Field and Cross Country Championships will be the poorer without him. We extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolence to his wife Pauline, son and daughter from all at Derbyshire Athletics.

