



Board of Athletics—Compiled Committee Reports

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Association News

Dave Shrock (president@pausatf.org)

The following association members received awards or appointments at December's USATF Annual Meeting:

Shirley Connors – Awarded the Andy Bakjian Officials Award, and the Association Committee's Horace Crow Award for decades of contribution to officiating and betterment of the Pacific Association.

Dena Evans – Selected to lead the Women's Senior Team at the IAAF World Cross Country Champs in Uganda this March.

Cris Houston – Awarded the Pacific Association Volunteer of the Year Award by the Association's Committee for his contributions to the Youth Cross Country program and creation of the Youth XC Grand Prix.

Alan Kolling – Appointed secretary to the High Performance Executive Committee

John Murray - Elected for a second term as an At-Large Delegate to the National Officials' Committee

Irene Obera – Awarded the USATF Master's T&F Athlete of the Year Award

Rory Osborne – Received the Officials Committee Charles Ruter Award for Outstanding Service as a Track Official

Dave Shrock – Awarded the Kevin McGill Legacy Coach Award by the Coaching Education Committee

Dwight Smith – (*Coach of the Truckee Youth Racing Club*) Awarded a USATF President's Award for his contributions to youth cross country

Joy Upshaw – Awarded the Masters' T&F Women's 50-59 age-group Athlete of the Year

Mark Youmans - Received the National Officials Chair Award for his efforts & achievements during the year

2016 was an important election year for USATF with much turnover leading us into the Tokyo Quadrennium (*new leaders are **bolded***):

USATF President- **Vin Lananna**
LDR Division Chair – **Mike Scott**
Youth Division Chair – **Tricia Myers (Floyd)**
Associations Committee – **Dave Shrock**
Men's T&F - Ed Gorman
Women's T&F – **Rose Monday**
Men's Development – Dave Kerin
Women's Development – unknown

Athletes Advisory Comm – **Jeffery Porter**
Masters T&F – **Rex Harvey**
Officials – **Mike Armstrong**
Race Walk Committee – **John Nunn**
Coaching Education Comm – Larry Judge
Cross Country Council – **Thom Hunt**
Club Council – **Lauren Primerano**

Additional news:

The Pacific was awarded the second highest Associations Committee innovation grant of \$3500 (*behind So-Cal*) for our work increasing membership and service to our constituents. The monies need to be used for marketing or association growth.

Reno-Tahoe was awarded the 2018 National JO Cross Country Champs to be held at Rancho San Rafael Regional Park where the JO's have been held twice before.

It was also announced that the 2019 and 2020 USATF Annual Meeting will be held in Reno at the Grand Sierra Resort, a largely smoke free environment.

2017 Annual Meeting: Hyatt Regency, Columbus, Ohio

Wed, 29 Nov - Association and Youth Workshops

Thurs, 30 Nov-Sun, 3 Dec – Annual Meeting

Be sure to check detailed annual meeting representative committee reports posted on the association website

Women's Track and Field

Dena Evans (womenstrackandfield@pacific.usatf.org)

Please mark your calendars for the 2017 USATF Pacific Track & Field Championships on June 11. We are awaiting finalized details on this meet.

Olympic Development Grant Applications: Due Feb 1. Spread the word!

<https://www.pausatf.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/paf2017EliteTrainingGrantInfo.App-1.pdf?x65224>

If you are interested in what transpired at December's USATF Annual Meeting, particularly as it relates to Women's T&F, please take a peek at the committee reports below. Among other news, Rose Monday is now the Women's Track & Field Chair. Both she and Wendy Truvilion were great candidates, and Women's T&F should be in good hands. Annual Meeting Committee Reports:

<https://www.pausatf.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/PA2016AnnualConventionReports.pdf?x65224>

Don't forget, the USA Outdoor Championships are going to be in Sacramento, June 22-25. Mark your calendars and tell your friends – let's have lots of support in the stands for our local athletes and their competitors.

Have an issue? Please be in touch!

Masters Track & Field

Joseph Ols (masterstf@pacific.usatf.org)

J. Ols attended the 2017 USATF Annual Meeting as Chairman of the Pacific MTF Committee & Pacific delegate.

An Ultraweight throws 300lb, 200lb, 98lb weight set was produced for PA and shipped, currently in transit. PA MTF has been interested for years in procuring a set of Ultraweights in order to hold Ultraweight Pentathlons in the PA.

Pacific MTF athlete Irene Obera was named the 2016 WMA Female Athlete of the Year!

<http://worldmastersathletics.org/news20170104obera.htm>

Race Walking

Jon Price (jprice@unr.edu)

The 2017 schedule of race walks is posted on the Pacific Association website. Our first races will be separate women's and men's one-mile races at the All Comers track and field meet at UC Berkeley on Saturday, January 21. This winter three clinics are being offered to train new Judges. More Judges are especially needed for races associated with Youth meets. Five Judges, a Recorder, and at least one other Official are needed to run the Pit Lane (penalty box), which was added to the IAAF and USATF rules in 2016 and was first used in California at the 2016 National Junior Championships in Clovis and the 2016 Junior Olympics in Sacramento. When the Pit Lane is used, a race walker who has received red cards from three different Judges is not disqualified, as is normally the case, but spends time in the penalty box (30-seconds for races up to and including 5,000 meters; 60-seconds for races greater than 5000 and up to and including 10,000 meters) before reentering the race. A red card from a fourth Judge is needed for the athlete to be disqualified. If we have enough Judges, we will be using the Pit Lane at this year's Pacific Association Junior Olympics and at other Youth meets.

Officials

Mike Bower (mike.pausatf@gmail.com)

Officials' ReCertification Clinics:

- Hartnell J.C. – 1/21
- Merritt C.C. – 1/28
- Chico (*Pleasant Valley H.S.*) – 2/4
- Serra H.S. – 2/14 (*Includes an Intro to Track & Field Clinic and SafeSport Training*)

Sign up on line ASAP

Need to have the following to complete the process of ReCert:

- SafeSport
- jpeg picture
- background check
- Recertification Test

Questions? – Contact Jim Hume: jimhume@comcast.net

All-Comers Meets for Officials' Training

- 1/21 – UC Berkeley
- 1/28 – UC Davis
- 2/4 – UC Berkeley

Youth Committee

Cross Country

Cris Houston (pa.youthXC@gmail.com)

2016

The Pacific Association Youth Cross Country season wrapped up with the Junior Olympic Championships in Hoover Alabama in December. Over 100 Pacific Association athletes aged 7-18 braved freezing temperatures to compete. Among the notable PA finishers were:

- Colin Peattie-- **13-14 Boys National Champion**
- Kayla Grant-- **17-18 Women's National Champion**
- Los Gatos Track Club-- **15-18 Women's Team National Champion**
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Both club meets and the association hosted championship meets showed increases in participation over 2015.

The Pacific Association Youth committee thanks the clubs, athletes and officials whose efforts made the 2016 Pacific Association Youth Cross Country Season possible.

2017

Bids are open for 2017 Youth Cross Country club hosted meet dates. The 2017 club hosted meet bids will be voted upon at the February 18th Youth Committee Meeting. If your club is interested in hosting a meet, please send an e-mail to Cris Houston, at pa.youthXC@gmail.com no later than February 16, 2017.

2018

At the 2016 USATF National Meeting, the *Reno Tahoe Winter Games Coalition's bid to host the 2018 USATF National Junior Olympic Cross Country Championships was granted. The meet will be held at Rancho San Rafael Regional Park in Reno.*

2017 Track and Field

Charlotte Sneed (pa.youthcommittee@gmail.com)

The 2017 Pacific Association Youth Track and Field season is set to start in March with 11 club hosted meets and four Pacific Association hosted Championship meets. The 2017 National T&F Junior Olympics will be held in Greensboro, NC.

Officials are requested at all Pacific Association Youth Championship meets. Please contact Carl Bryant at ceebeerev@sbcglobal.net if you are able to volunteer at one of the following meets:

- Pacific Association Junior Olympic Championships (PAC) June 10-11
- Pacific Association Junior Olympic Championships (Top 8) June 23-25
- Region 14 Combined Events Championships July 1-2
- Region 14 Track and Field Championships (Top 5) July 8-9

Meet locations will be posted at: www.pausatf.org/youth/youth-track-field-meet-schedule-and-results/

Youth Spring Meeting: Sat, Feb 18 10-12:00pm in the Logan HS cafeteria.

Coaches Committee

Dave Shrock (coaches@pacific.usatf.org)

Level 1 Schools:

Coaches Committee Education sub-committee chair Dave Bartholomew hosted 59 coaches at the association Level 1 Coaching Education school this past weekend at Chabot College. Six coaches were scholarshiped thanks to PA Foundation coaches grants.

Keep any eye on the PA Coaches' Committee page for future Level 1 schools.

USATF Level 2 School:

The six day Level 2 school this summer will be held 17-22 July at CSU Fullerton in southern California.

Coaches who complete their Level 1 certificate by 1 April and who have coached for three years or more are eligible to apply. Applications will be available on the USATF Coaching Education website towards the end of February. Further information: www.usatf.org/Resources-for---/Coaches/Coaching-Education.aspx

The Pacific Foundation will offer two partial scholarships for association coaches to attend. Applications will be posted on the Foundation and Coaches Committee pages by the end of January.

Coaches Committee Annual Meeting: 12:45-1:15 during lunch at the HOKA OneOne SuperClinic, 4 Feb at Sacramento City College. Click on this QR code for clinic information:



SafeSport Training: USATF has joined the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) to implement the SafeSport program. The goal of SafeSport is to provide a safe environment in our sport at all levels, but particularly for athletes who are ages 18 and under. The SafeSport program includes athlete protection policies, guidelines, codes of conduct, a background screening program, education and training, and a reporting process for any SafeSport concerns within our sport.

All USATF Club Coaches and Volunteers will need to complete the SafeSport Program. Youth Coaches must meet this requirements before your club's membership will be approved and activated in the USATF system.

Officials and coaches may complete the SafeSport training on line (*allow 3 hours with exam questions interspersed*). On-line training link: <http://safesport.org/take-the-training/>

Face-to-Face training will be available on:

4 February 3:30-5:00pm at HOKA SuperClinic - Sacramento City College (*clinic enrollment not necessary*)

15 February at PA Officials Clinic - Serra HS, San Mateo

18 February approx. 12:30 at the conclusion of the Pacific Youth Committee Meeting – Logan Cafeteria, Union City

Pacific Association USATF Foundation

George Kleeman (george_kleeman@comcast.net)

Since the last report in September the Foundation has been busy.

- We added a new Director in Jennifer Oliver in early November.
- Jay Abbott was elected Treasurer to replace Steven Crow.
- We have sent out applications, and made six scholarship awards for attendance at the Level 1 Chabot Coaches School on Sat-Sun, January 14-15.
- As of the first of the year we have sent out about 50 Athlete Training Grant applications for 2017 and posted a copy on the Foundation webpage. These Grants for 2017 to support athletes for the National Track & Field Championship in June at Sacramento. Applications are due to be returned by the end of January and grants will be made by the end of February.
- At the end of November Dena Evans held raffle of personal Coaching sessions with funds going to the Foundation. We collect over \$425.
- Collected donations from several benefactors amounting to over \$6000,
- We are ready to issue two Level 2 Coaches School applications for this July School in Southern California. We will be awarding two scholarships in April.