



Board of Athletics—Compiled Committee Reports ***13 May, 2014***

PA/USATF Communications Committee: ***Cynci Calvin***

On April 23, Fred Baer provided a list of 13 articles from regional newspapers all about the Paralympics. The link to these stories is at pausatf.org and is also available on the PA's Facebook page. We can expect these stories to continue as we near the June 20-22 event.

The PA Facebook page is building an audience. We now have 1,027 "likes", up from about 600 a few months ago. Still lots to do to grow this social media resource.

The Communications Committee strategic plan calls for Communications Committee (ComCom) with Fred Baer and George Rehmet to attempt to form a group of volunteer photographers and reporters for stories about the National Paralympics and the National TF meets. Outreach will begin in earnest this week. Mark Winitz informed me he will be covering the National TF Meet for CTRN, runblogrun.com and the PA. This should all generate lots of publicity for the PA.

At the May 13 BoA meeting, I will present a prototype of a PA/USATF promotional print media item (a brochure or postcard) that can be distributed at these national and possibly also regional meets.

Following last November's BoA meeting, progress for the collaborative efforts between the PA and CTRN slowed down due to some major changes in the company. Christine Johnson will be updating us soon, so that should help us get back on track. If I have additional information for the May 13 meeting, I will bring it then.

Alia Gray and Thomas Vincent are working on the new website, with Alia organizing content for the sub pages and Tom refining the front page html code. They still believe a September launch is doable. We are trying to set up weekly or biweekly phone calls to help keep me up to date on their ongoing progress, and to allow me to offer suggestions as they move forward. Sean Roland has also offered helpful suggestions and will continue to do so.

Pacific Association USATF Foundation: ***Dennis Boyle***

The following has taken place in the operation of the Pacific Association USATF Foundation since the last meeting of the Board of Athletics.

We are presently working on the following:

1. We are looking into getting the PayPal feature incorporated into our webpage.
2. We are looking into adding one or two more directors into the Foundation to help share their expertise and to facilitate our development by adding to the Foundation workforce.
3. We have set up a twitter account <http://twitter.com/PAUSATFFound>
4. We are presently updating our bylaws to reflect the developments which have occurred in the Foundation since the original production of our bylaws.
5. We are reviewing our grant applications which were revised by Dennis Boyle. They will be sent out and reviewed by the present Directors of the Foundation for the June meeting. These applications will hope to be gradually infused into the present system which now provides, accepts/approves applications and provides grant funding for the various groups within the PAUSATF.
6. We are in the process of developing our annual budget and will present it at the June meeting.

Our next meeting will be held by teleconference on Monday June 16, 2014.

ParaAtheltics Committee:

George Rehmet

- Our group met with the US Olympic Committee to work out the major details for the Paralympics National Track and Field Championship.
 - Volunteer website has gone up.
 - Officials are being recruited.
 - Pamakid Runners & San Francisco Half Marathon have committed to donating \$3000 for a reception and/or specialized transportation.
 - There has been great publicity about the event.
- There will be demonstration events in the 100 meters, 400 meters, and 1500 meters for athletes with disabilities at the PA Open and Masters Track and Field Championships on 6/1 and 6/14, respectively.
- Marin Memorial 10K is willing to provide free entries to athletes with disabilities. I've notified different organizations about this. Unfortunately, there have been no takers.

Race Walking Committee:

Jon Price

The PA one-mile and one-hour race walking championships were contested on February 15 at Berkeley and April 6 at the College of Marin, respectively. A race walk for youth was contested on April 19 in San Jose as part of the Shor/Sheppard Classic, and PA judges officiated race walks during the Bay Area Senior Games on May 10 at the College of San Mateo. PA athletes and judges plan to participate in the National USATF 15-km race walk on May 18 in Riverside. The next scheduled events are the race walks during the PA Youth Championships on May 31 in Rocklin, the PA Open Championships on June 1 in San Mateo, the PA Masters Championships on June 14 in San Mateo, the PA Junior Olympics on June 21 in Livermore, the National USATF 20-km on June 28 and 29 in Sacramento, and the Region 14 Junior Olympics on July 5 in Fresno.

Men's T&F Committee:

Ralph Jones

The Open Men's and Women's Championships will be held Sunday June 1 at College of San Mateo. This year's championships will also include the addition of several Paralympic races to provide opportunities to compete for the Para athletes as they tune up for their championships. Sonny Maynard who is serving as official coordinator reported as usual we are light on officials and will really be relying on our volunteers and helpers, but we should make due. Helpers from Cal State East Bay will be on hand to work the meet and assist the officials but we could always use more! Contact Sonny Maynard at sonny22@att.net if you can help.

LDR Committee:

Tom Bernhard

5 races of the Road GP have been completed. No outstanding issues or protests

Verity Breen has volunteered to become the Women's LDR Chair through the rest of Ashley Groose's term. LDR Committee will vote on this at the Marin Memorial Day 10K Race LDR Committee Meeting.

Shadrack Biwott will receive the Male AADP grant for the 2014 Road GP Long Series. He will use the \$250 for the USA 7 Mile Championships (Bix 7).

Verity Breen has emailed the first Female candidate (Kim Conley) and should hear back later this week.

After the Marin Memorial Day 10K Race, the AADP candidates for the Short Series will be determined.

Master's Track and Field Committee:

Joseph Ols

- MTF Championships on track
- Decathlon Registration is live and posted to MTF Schedule website
- Series of Throws meets mostly set. TBD which shall be PA MTF Throws Pent Championships
- Still no solution to Icosathlon (Double Decathlon) facility at College of Marin which is missing is Steeplechase and HT
- MTF Schedule continuously updated on the association website

Officials Committee:

Mike Bower

- 1) PA Officials **Annual Meeting** to take place August 24th at UC Davis beginning at 10:00am.
- 2) The **USATF National T & F Championships** (June 25-29) at Sacramento State are looking for officials and individuals to assist the competition officials. Help is needed for part of a session, all of a session or all of the championships. It is an opportunity to meet officials from around the country as well as top-notch athletes. If interested, sign-up online at www.sacsports.com/Volunteers by May 15 - fill out the interest application. You will be contacted by the Volunteer Coordinator. You will have the ability to choose job(s) and the days and hours you would like to work. Please also send John Murray (Jmurr01@aol.com) a note saying you want to volunteer and at which jobs.
- 3) **PA Open** (June 1) & **Master's** (June 14) **Championships** will be held at the College of San Mateo. Officials are still needed. Please contact Sonny Maynard (sonny22@att.net) for the Open, or Dave Shrock (coachshrock@gmail.com) for the Master's.

Membership:

Irene Herman

Current membership: 5107

Strategic Planning

Mark Winitz

Thanks once again to everyone who contributed to the Strategic Planning session's success at our March meeting. I am currently compiling updates and edits to the Association Strategic Plan, and will forward it to the BoD for distribution once all area coordinators have provided updates.

Board of Directors:

Dave Shrock

Standardized e-mails: The national office has rolled out a program phasing in the use of common e-mails for each association. Our association e-mail will be: XXXXXXXXXXXX@Pacific.usatf.org. Start looking for association officers and committee chairs to begin using this e-mail address in correspondence through the summer.

Association Service Awards: The Board of Directors has extended the deadline for nominations for those who go above and beyond in the service for our membership. Please send nominations to Awards Chair Leroy Milam (Leroy1888@aol.com). Here's your opportunity to recognize those who work tirelessly for our sport's and committee's success!

Help at the USATF Association's Workshop: We are still in need of a few folks to help manage the Associations Workshop at the Hilton Arden-East, Friday-Sunday, 15-17 August. If you can help staff the registration table and answer questions of Association officers from across the nation, please contact Dave. This is a great opportunity to see how the grass roots portion of our organization operates, and you are more than welcome to attend any sessions while helping out.

Upcoming Events:

- 30 May-1 June-** Youth Assoc. Champs. At Whitney HS-Rocklin
- 1 June** - Open T&F Assoc. Championships, San Mateo
- 14 June** - Master's T&F Assoc. Championships, San Mateo
- 20-22 June** - National Paralympics Champs, San Mateo
- 21-22 June-** JO Qualifier - Granada HS- Livermore
- 25-29 June** - National T&F Champs, Sacramento State
- 15-17 August** - Associations Annual Workshop, Sacramento