WORLD ASSOCIATION of VETERAN ATHLETES

Notes from extra meeting of the WAVA Council held at Turku, July 29, 1991

Present: Cesare Beccalli (chairman), Bill Taylor, Jacques Serruys, Hari Chandra, Al Sheahen, Jim Blair, Bridget Cushen, Don Farquharson and Torsten Carlius (secretary).

1. World Championships in Turku

The president of the Organizing Committee of Turku, Mr Sten-Olof Hansén, expresses his pleasure and gratitude that Turku has been entrusted to organize the IX World Veterans' Championships. Turku has been known all over the world and all in Turku are very satisfied. Sten-Olof Hansén and Pirkko Martin conclude this point by giving the Council members the medal and the T-shirt of the Championships.

Mr Cesare Beccalli thanks Sten-Olof Hansén and Pirkko Martin for their excellent work in Turku. The Championships have been very well organized and have demonstrated the strength of veterans' athletics.

2. Meeting with Alastair Lynn

Cesare Beccalli and Torsten Carlius have to-day met with Alastair Lynn in the morning and arranged that Torsten Carlius will have all papers and information at the end of August/beginning of September. Cesare Beccalli/Torsten Carlius/Bridget Cushen/Bill Taylor will meet with the IAAF in London late September to discuss the practical daily matters.

3. Next Council Meeting

Cesare Beccalli will inform Miyazaki about the next Council Meeting (days and responsible persons with WAVA for the contact between WAVA and Miyazaki, i.e. Bob Fine and Torsten Carlius).

Cesare Beccalli plans to make his visit to Singapore on the way to Miyazaki to save money.

4. Signatures on cheques

It is decided that counter-signers on cheques for WAVA with the Treasurer Al Sheahen shall be Cesare Beccalli, Bob Fine, Torsten Carlius and David Pain.

Torsten Carlius signs alone his advance-expense account with Sparbanken Skåne, Helsingborg.

5. Visit to Birmingham

It is decided that Jacques Serruys visits Birmingham before the EVAA Road Championships in October 1991 to check the preparations for the WAVA Road Championships in 1992. It is essential that Jacques Serruys checks the entry booklet before it is printed.

6. Logotype/flag

The WAVA logotype/stationary/flag is discussed. The present flag is considered to small and a bigger one is desirable. The Council members are requested to present their ideas to the Secretary well before the meeting in Miyazaki.
7. **Non-Stadia Delegates**

Jacques Serruys recommends the regions to elect delegates for the non-stadia activities. Information of those elected shall be sent to Jacques Serruys.

8. **Nationality**

Bridget Cushen raises the question of defining nationality for competitors due to some incidents. The problem may arise in cases where somebody lives more or less permanently in one country but has another nationality/passport. The Council is of the opinion that the passport is decisive for the nationality - especially as a certificate from the national association is necessary. If an athlete has 2 passports there might be some uncertainty but still the national association shall give their certificate. Is this missing the entry shall be returned and the matter can be cleared out.

Turku as above

Torsten Carlius

Secretary
Minutes of the meeting of the WAVA Council held at Turku, July 28, 1991

Present: Cesare Beccalli (chairman), Bob Fine, Jacques Serruys, Bill Taylor, Al Sheahen, Bridget Cusken, Jose Figueras, Jim Blair, Hans Axmann, Hari Chandra, Pascal Mouassiposso and David Pain.

Absent: Torsten Carlius

In the absence of Torsten Carlius, the General Secretary, Bob Fine was appointed to take the minutes.

1. Council Meeting 1992 in Miyazaki

The Council unanimously voted to go to Miyazaki, Japan, from Thursday April 30th to Monday, May 4th, 1992.

2. North American Representative in the Council

David Pain advised that he was submitting his resignation for the following reasons:

a) He did not succeed in having his position regarding the IAAF accepted by the General Assembly
b) The United States delegation did not support him (by a vote 4 to 1)
c) To remain in the Council respect must be given to the leadership of the Council, which he could not do
d) The president has not respected the wishes of either the Council or the General Assembly, and
e) There has been a "hostile" takeover by the IAAF

David Pain indicated that he was appointing Brian Oxley, Canada, as the North American Representative. Bob Fine objected on the ground that Mr Pain did not have that authority in that the North American Constitution (which Mr Fine wrote) automatically makes the North American Chairperson the WAVA Council delegate. Since Don Farquharson is the vice chairperson of North America he would automatically ascend to that position. If Mr Farquharson does not wish to be the North American Council delegate (as he has already a vote as the past vice President of WAVA) it would be up to the WAVA North American Council to select the delegate.

Mr Mouassiposso indicated that it would be for North America to decide. Mr Pain then asked to be excused. The WAVA Council then accepted Brian Oxley as an observer with no vote.

3. IAAF relationship with WAVA

Cesare Beccalli advised that the focus of the IAAF relationship with WAVA will be on the national level.

The following countries have some affiliation problems:

a) Peru. The present Association, ADASA, is based in the city of Aracquipa and does not provide for a veterans group based in the capital city of Lima. The IAAF NGB recognizes the group from Lima. Jose Figueras and Jorge Alzamora (the South American Secretary) indicated that they would attempt to resolve the problem

b) India. WAVA recognizes IVAA while the IAAF/NGB recognizes another group headed by Mr Singh. Cesare Beccalli, at the IAAF meetings this year in Tokyo, will attempt to obtain a resolution of this problem
c) **Singapore.** Cesare Beccalli obtained authorization to go to Singapore to attempt to resolve this problem. The IAAF/NGB at first supported the Singapore bid, then withdrew that support, and now has given provisional support. Hari Chandra assured the Council that the 1995 Championships can be successfully put on without the support of the IAAF/NGB as there is support from the Singapore Sports Council. Officials will be available, if needed, from other countries.

d) **Hungary.** Hans Axmann reports that there are now 3 groups seeking affiliation. He hopes that the IAAF/NGB will resolve the problem.

4. **Visit to the IAAF Office in London**

Cesare Beccalli and Torsten Carlius will go to London after the IAAF Tokyo meeting. Mr Beccalli has appointed Bridget Cusher as assistant to the WAVA General Secretary.

5. **By-law**

The following by-law was proposed by Bob Fine, seconded by Jim Blair, and unanimously adopted:

**Law and Legislation Committee**

The President shall appoint a Law and Legislation Committee to whom all proposed Constitution and/or By-law changes, received by the Secretary, shall be submitted. It shall be the function of the Law and Legislation Committee to review all such proposals for clarity of language and for any inconsistency with existing Constitution and/or By-law provisions. The Law and Legislation Committee shall not modify the intention of the proposed changes without the written permission of the makers of said proposals.

The following By-law was proposed by Bob Fine, amended and then seconded by Jim Blair. The amendment was accepted by Mr Fine.

**Organizing Advisory Committee**

An Organizing Advisory Committee, chaired by the Executive Vice President and consisting of the Vice President for stadia and the Vice President for non-stadia, with those three selecting additional committee members from within the WAVA Council, shall be charged with the responsibility to propose detailed rules and procedures for the operation of all WAVA World Championships, including but not limited to a schedule of events - technical rules, facilities for all WAVA functions, ceremonies and the treatment of athletes. This committee shall report to the Council for the Council’s approval of their recommendations.

During the operation of the Championships this committee shall serve as the conduit between the Organizing Committee of each Championship and WAVA.

6. **Assistance for regional newspapers**

Hans Axmann raised the question of assistance for regional newspapers. After discussion it was agreed to defer a decision pending a possible IAAF subsidy.

7. **IAAF subsidy to WAVA**

Bob Fine, seconded by Jacques Serruys, proposed that in the event that IAAF awards a subsidy to WAVA of not less than US Dollars 15,000, per year, the WAVA affiliation fee for the NGBs, be waived.

The proposal was accepted by 10 votes, 2 votes in opposition and 1 abstention.
8. Regional affiliation fees

Hans Axmann, seconded by Jim Blair, proposed that if the regional associations decide to eliminate the regional affiliation fee, WAVA shall pay them.

The Council agreed on the principle but decision was postponed to the next Council meeting in Mayazaki in April/May 1992. Till then the Continental representatives are requested to send the Treasurer (copy to the General Secretary) information of their standing affiliates and how much these affiliates pay annually in Continental affiliation fee.

9. Procedures for records

Pete Mundle, the WAVA records chairperson, appeared and a discussion without decisions was held regarding the establishment procedures for records.

10. Participation procedures

Jacques Serruys noted that there were some competitors who were allowed to compete even though they were not members of a WAVA NGB that required such membership. He also noted that there should be one full day devoted to a meeting of the new Council immediately after the conclusion of the meet. No formal vote was taken but the sense of the meeting was in agreement.

11. Proxy voting

Jim Blair expressed his concern about proxy voting. His position was that WAVA shall not accept proxy voting in the General Assembly unless the person receiving the proxy is a member of the NGB giving the proxy. Bob Fine indicated that a proposed by-law on this point would be presented to the next Council meeting.

These minutes were taken by Mr Bob Fine and later written out by the General Secretary Torsten Carlius.

1991-08-12

[Signature] Torsten Carlius
Present: C. Beccalli in the Chair, All the WAVA Council, J. Alzamora, A. Lynn (Secretary).
J. Alzamora, who attended at the request of the President of ASUDAVE to provide translation, was not present on July 18 due to participation in the decathlon.

Circulation: All present. T. Carlius.

1. **MEETINGS**
The Secretary reviewed the schedule of meetings and functions.

2. **PERSONAL**
H. Axmann thanked the Council for the many good wishes he had received during his illness.
Mouassiposso-Mackonguy Pascal was welcomed to his first meeting of the WAVA Council.

3. **CLOCKS**
It was agreed that the clocks would be presented to the Mayor of Turku and three senior members of the Organizing Committee.

4. **REPORTS CIRCULATED BY THE OFFICERS**
Secretary's Report Page 3: C. Beccalli elaborated on who could and who could not be drug tested under the proposal (see section "He - the Chairperson"). As the matter will now be debated within the WAVA General Assembly, the matter is no longer relevant.
4. (Continued)

**V.P. Stadia**

(a) Bill Taylor said that the Stadia meeting would start with an open session for about one hour and then go into the Committee session.

(b) The I.V.A.F. (our Indian Affiliate) had requested tapes covering organization, officials and meet procedures.

(c) The Stadia Committee will review the age-graded tables; R. Fine mentioned a computer programmer in Miami who is developing software for these tables - A. Sheahen will follow up.

(d) It was clarified that for the M40/M55 javelin the throw is valid for either type if the tip hits first.

(e) H. Axmann raised the changing situation WAVA had created for the M50/M55 "400/300m" hurdles; it was agreed that we must now reach stability regarding such competition rules and this clearly is the responsibility of the V.P. Stadia. There were a number of comments from A. Sheahen and J. Blair regarding "stability"; C. Beccalli pointed out that there must also be flexibility for "new ideas".

**V.P. Non Stadia**

(a) France and Great Britain will bid for 1992

(b) J. Serruys requested that more time be given to considering the needs of the many road racers, such as:
   - Sanction fee, competitor's fee?
   - Ultra L.D. events?
   - Cross-country with 10K/25K - not favoured by J. Serruys;
   - 20K Women/30K Men walk with 10K/25K?
   - X/C with IAAF World Championships - would need teams, not an individual race?
   - Participation in the Boston X/C meet in 1992?

The President agreed that there must now be a detailed review and recommendations from the Non Stadia Committee are awaited.

**Women:**

(a) A. Sheahen queried why there were different figures for participation in the ASUDAVE 1990 Championships; B. Cushen had quoted entries and J. Alzamora actual competitors.

(b) 24% of the Turku entries are women

(c) B. Cushen will issue a summary report after this week's Women's Assembly.
Treasurer:

(a) U.S. $35 per day per Council member at Turku as before; reconsider for 1993.

(b) The National Masters News was considerably out of pocket over its WAVA commitment, partly due to a large increase in Affiliates and partly due to the interest generated by the forthcoming elections. A. Sheahen requested an additional $2,000.

(c) Requests for over-budget expenditures were made by C. Beccalli, J. Serruys, D. Farquharson, R. Fine and A. Lynn. J. Blair proposed, A. Lynn seconded, "All expenses as indicated be approved but the National Masters News to be at $3,000, not $2,000." Approved 12-2. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

In response to a question, C. Beccalli stated that his airfares to Oslo and Moscow were incurred as part of a survey of indoor championships. He undertook to circulate reports on these two visits to the WAVA Council. He also stated that FIDAL would not pay the 50% of the costs associated with the IAAF Veterans' Committee (this is contrary to the accepted practice).

It was recommended that the new WAVA Council consider whether or not WAVA pay travel expenses (50%) for the I.A.A.F. Veterans' Committee. It should be noted that currently four WAVA Council are on this I.A.A.F. Committee and that their individual countries pay 50% of the travel costs of the other three persons. I.A.A.F. pays 50%.

5. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

5.1 WAVA Council will not make recommendations re the proposed Constitutional changes. The Stadia Committee will make recommendations re relevant By-laws' proposals.

5.2 Candidates will be allowed two minutes to speak immediately before the election.

5.3 Candidates for President will not tour the Regional Meetings. C. Beccalli will visit in his Presidential capacity but promised to make his remarks "non-political".

5.4 Decisions were taken re "hands" or secret voting for the various proposals.
6. **VISITORS**

6.1 Mr. Hansen and other members of the Organising Committee.

6.2 Japanese delegation re 1993 Championships. The contract is signed but T.V. details (protected in Contract) are yet to be finalized.

6.3 Hannes Booyse updated the Council on the position in South Africa and showed a film illustrating the diversity of sport and its inter-racial aspects; M.M. Pascal expressed his willingness to co-operate; Namibia (one of our recent African Affiliates) had offered to host a regional championship: H. Booyse indicated that South Africa, after re-admittance, would like to bid for the 1995 or 1997 WAVA Championships. C. Beccalli said that H. Booyse would be welcome to attend the General Assembly but could not address it.

7. **BIDDERS BOOKLET & ORGANISATION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

A. Lynn proposed, D. Pain seconded, that R. Fine’s proposals (previously circulated) be accepted with the wording changes 16 A.III thirty (not 90) days prior ....; E IV to read Special guests, not as suggested; I "outside the G.A. area" not - "at the sign-in table".

8. **REGIONS**

The Regional Delegates commented on the new Affiliates in their Regions.

**Africa**: M.M. Pascal promised to promote veteran activities and thanked the WAVA Council members for their support. All African countries have tracks but not necessarily all-weather tracks. He was reminded of the assistance he could get from Namibia and South Africa who have experience in depth in inter-racial Veteran athletics. The hope was expressed that the WAVA Championships would be held in Africa in the not-too-distant future. M.M. Pascal will speak at the IAAF Congress in Tokyo and also in Cairo in September re development of Veterans.

It was agreed that Affiliation Forms must be received from Zaire and Cameroon before they could be accepted as full affiliates; M.M. Pascal promised to pursue this matter.

**Asia**: H. Chandra looks forward to the first WAVA Championships in Asia if Miyazaki’s bid is accepted. India is a continuing problem but our affiliate - I.V.A.F. - has earned the WAVA Council’s full support from the manner in which it has developed Veteran athletics in the sub-continent. It is vital that we maintain our support for the I.V.A.F.

H. Chandra circulated a report to the Council members.
8. (Continued)

Europe: A 100K running race had been added to the programme but not yet as a Championship. In reply to a question H. Axmann stated that the entry booklets for Norway 1992 would be here during these Championships. The '90 Championships in Budapest were well-attended and successful.

There is a problem with which organisation represents Veterans in Hungary. (An interim solution was later reached at a meeting with the Hungarians attended by Messrs. Beccalli/Axmann/Lynn for WAVA when it was agreed that one G.A. representative would come from our current affiliate, OVASE, and one from the other group.

North-Central America:
The '90 Championships had been held in difficult "post civil disturbances" in Trinidad & Tobago but had gone well under these circumstances; '92 will be in Mexico. D. Pain felt that consideration should be given to splitting up this Region as it covered a vast area; R. Fine disagreed; this matter to be discussed initially within the Region.

Oceania: '90 Championships in Auckland were very successful; the WAVA Council approved the '92 Championships to be held in Norfolk Island. This Region feels that partnership, not amalgamation, with the IAAF is the correct path to follow and information to the "grass-roots" is vital.

South America: The '90 Championships in Montevideo were well-supported (with high women's participation) and successful; '92's are in Venezuela. There is a problem in Peru regarding Veteran representation; this must first be addressed by ASUDAVE itself.

9. SANCTION FEE
This fee for 1995 will be U.S. $15,000 - H. Chandra, on behalf of Singapore, agreed.

A. Sheahan proposed, D. Pain seconded: "The maximum sanction fee for 1997 is U.S. $20,000". Agreed unanimously.

The 1997 competitors' fee will be decided by the new WAVA Council.

10. NON STADIA
Agreed:-
1992 - WAVA Sanction Fee $500, competitor's fee $7
1994 - WAVA Sanction Fee $1,000, competitor's fee $10
1992/94 - Event's fee: $20 first event, $10 second.
11. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

11.1 The U.S.A. has the trophies for the marathon, X/C, road walk; D. Farquharson to follow up with B. Kousky.

11.2 Japan will give a special medal to the people who have competed in all the WAVA Championships up to and including 1993.

11.3 A letter re standards from M. Salisbury was considered "out of order" for Turku but should be considered by the new Council.

11.4 Various opinions have been expressed over WAVA and Regional autonomy; these must be examined by the new Council in the light of decisions by the General Assembly.

11.5 A. Sheahen expressed the hope that the age-graded 100m winners’ races on the final day of these Championships would be well-supported.

Alastair Lynn
Secretary, WAVA
Council Meeting

7/29/91

1) On Sept 20 or 30, Cesare, Tosten, Bridget + Bill will meet in London.

2) Cesare will stop in Singapore on way to Japan.

3) Get signature card for Tosten.

4) Jacques requests trip to Birmingham. 8/29 d 9/30, 2 days.

5) Go back to old bring.

6) Prepare budget in 120 days after IDAF meet in Tokyo in Sept.

7) ZW x Carlius okayed.

8) Jacques: OC accepts individual entries.
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"No water on track"
- Brinks

"Officials inconsistent"

"forest some rolling"

VB
7/29/91

Hansen:

1) Banquet where all people can get together even poor. Free.

2) Use "Sports Veterans" not "Veterans" on Veteran Sports.
7/29/91

Hansen:
1) Ticket sales
   6000 people @ 20/day
2) Financial report
3) How much budget?

1) Did you get sponsors?
   Bank
   Less than $1 million

General Consulate of USSR
in Tversh helped greatly

Bus from Pland came thru
Russians and stuff

"Veteran" was main problem. Suggest
SENIOR
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1) Japan 4/30 to 5/4 '92

2) PAINT resigns

a. US voted 4-1 against
   b. Must respect leadership
      which is entitled to
      that respect; I can't
      duplicity in leadership
      c. I cannot be effective
         on this Council
      d. Hostile Takeover
         e. Hope I'll retain the
            friendships I've made

3) Council refuses to allow
   Oxley to vote but sit
   as observer
To: The WAVA Council  

World Association of Veteran Athletes  

From: WAVA Secretary.  


Dear Friends and Colleagues,  

This is a brief round-up of a number of items which will arise at our Council meetings at Turku (first meeting 9.00am on Tuesday, 16th July)  

Preliminary Agenda:  

1. Comments on the reports issued by the President, Secretary, VPs Stadia and Non Stadia, Women's Representative.  

2. Treasurer's report and implications.  

3. Review of proposed Constitutional & Bylaws changes to be considered by the WAVA General Assembly.  


5. Hans Axmann's letter of March 3rd. (enclosed)  

6. The latest report by the Delegate of Europe to the WAVA Council. (enclosed).  

7. Review of the recent new WAVA Affiliates.  

8. Review meeting with the Turku Organising Committee. (The WAVA Council is entertaining the O.C. on July 16th)  

9. Presentation by the Japanese Delegation at 10.30am on July 17th. (The WAVA Council is being entertained by the Japanese on July 17th at 19.00 hours).  

10. Attendance at the Reception by the Japanese for all Delegates on Tuesday, 23rd July, in the Hotel Marina Palace.  

11. WAVA Flag.
Other Matters:

1. Equipment for General Assembly.

Bob and I have discussed the items required and have requested Pirkko to book them.

2. WAVA Handbook.

Thanks to everyone who helped produce it; Al had it printed in Michigan and I think our "economy" version looks fine. As a courtesy, I sent copies to Messrs. Skaset, Holt and Horley.

3. IVAF.

I have had numerous requests for help from Pirkko and have always advised her, as has Cesare, that constitutionally she could only accept entries through the IVAF.

4. Regional and Stadia/Non Stadia Meetings.

I have made the arrangements with Pirkko and informed the people concerned. (see enclosed fax).

5. Cesare's Correspondence of June 15th.

We are now so near the point of decision by the General Assembly that there is little point in much further comment.

I am pleased to see that progress is being made in Peru; it was obvious from earlier correspondence that the local IAAF Affiliate was stalling and it may be that our strong stand on behalf of the WAVA Affiliate paved the way to this progress. Although a new President has been elected (which happens often in democratic societies) there is not a radical change as the Secretary remains the same!

As regards my request for a budget adjustment I must point out to the WAVA President that he has no constitutional right for the content of his letter of May 17 (he had sent me a copy at the time). I refer the Council members to Bylaws Section 6 'Finance' Para 10 whilst
Para 7 approves the method of 'non response' as indicating approval.

Finally...

Whatever happens in Turku this is the last letter I shall write as the Secretary of WAVA. I would like to thank everyone who has helped in this difficult task - it has been fun - it has been satisfying.

I have run my campaign for the position of President of WAVA from a base of what I sincerely believe is best for the Veteran athletes worldwide - and I will not deviate from my views which have been clearly and honestly stated in detail - as in my campaign letter which will be published in July's N.M.N.

See you in Turku - I hope you all have safe and pleasant travel!

Yours sincerely,

Alastair Lynn,
Secretary,
World Association of Veteran Athletes.

Just a reminder - we are booked in the Hotel Hansa.
15. **BIDDER’S BOOKLET**

The Executive Vice-President shall be in charge of composing and maintaining a booklet giving information about the requirements for hosting a World Championship event, to be known as the "Bidder’s Booklet". The Council is to approve any changes therein.

16. **ORGANIZATION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING & CONVENTION COMMITTEE**

A. The Secretary shall write to all the affiliates one hundred and twenty days prior to the General Assembly meeting noting the following:

I. To confirm their affiliation or advise as to any deficiencies in their application and how to correct same, including payment of affiliation fees (which will be requested to be paid in advance);

II. Advise as to the number of delegates each affiliate has and how that number was determined;

III. Each delegation shall list their delegates' names and addresses. Each delegation may list three to five alternate delegates. It shall be requested, but not mandated, that these names be submitted ninety days prior to the General Assembly meeting.

B. A Convention Committee shall be appointed, chaired by the Executive Vice-President, consisting of non-delegates, one from each Region, as recommended by the Regional Chairperson, in writing to the Executive Vice-President, no less than ninety days prior to the General Assembly meeting. If such recommendations are not forthcoming, then the President shall appoint a representative from each Region;

C. The Chairperson of each Affiliate is requested to sign-in with the Convention Committee one hour prior to the meeting of the General Assembly, giving a written list of the names and addresses of all their delegates. Members of the Convention Committee may also solicit these names at the Regional Council meetings.

D. The Convention Committee shall be responsible for the listing of the delegates; giving out appropriate identification; and, tallying the votes. At the sign-in table shall first sit the Treasurer, who will check on whether the affiliation fees have been paid. Next to the Treasurer, shall sit the Secretary, who will verify the list of delegates. A member of the Convention Committee shall then issue the appropriate identification badge and the delegates' information kit.

E. Only the following, with appropriate badges, shall be permitted in the delegates' section:

I. The WAVA Council;

II. Delegates (their badges shall have their name and country);

III. Convention Committee members;

IV. IAAF Veterans Committee members;

V. Translators. These would be non-voting delegates whose names must have submitted in advance to the Convention Committee.
F. Only those with a badge shall be permitted to sit in the delegate's section, which will be clearly separated and roped off from the spectator's section. The Council shall sit at a podium, with designated sections for the IAAF Veterans' Committee and each affiliate.

G. If a delegate leaves during the meeting, the delegate is to sign out with the Convention Committee and sign in upon return. Signing out shall not be required during the lunch break.

H. A separate ballot shall be printed listing the candidates, in alphabetical order, for each of the contested offices. There shall be a number of sets equal to one less than the number of candidates. Each set, for the same office, will be in a different color, with the number of the round of the vote printed upon it. (Example: "First Round Vote for the President" - "Second Round Vote for the President" etc.)

I. Each candidate may compose campaign literature, without limitation as to the number of pages, to be placed at the sign-in table.

J. Each delegate shall be given a delegate's kit containing
   1. A copy of the election procedures;
   2. A copy of the agenda;
   3. A copy of reports from the officers & committee Chairpersons;
   4. Ballots.

K. For each round of voting, the delegates shall take their ballots and place them in a ballot box, to be placed in front of the podium. After all of the votes have been deposited in the ballot box, four members of the Convention Committee, shall then open the ballot box. One member of the Convention Committee shall then call out the name of the nominee receiving the vote on a given ballot. That ballot shall be handed to a second Convention Committee member to verify that the proper candidate's name was called out. A third member of the Committee shall then place the ballot in a pile containing the name of a given candidate. The fourth member of the Committee shall then keep a tally sheet. A blackboard may be used to post the running tallies.

L. After the final results are determined, the candidates for that office may review the ballots.
REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF EVAA

at the end of the European Veteran Year 1990.

Dear Veteran Athletes in our Member Federations,

Dear Friends in WAVA, IAAF and EAA

A very good year for politics and Veteran Athletics in Europe has soon passed away. You have all shown the EVAA Board and me personally confidence and kindness and have been of great help in the work for our sport. I do want to thank you for this as I at the same time want to underline that the result comes from mutual cooperation.

However, the movement of Veterans Athletics is always growing and developing and cannot afford to come to a standstill. For the moment I want to give you the following information:

1. The General Secretary we elected in Budapest chose to resign the days after his election. After discussions with the French Association I have together with the Council appointed Mr André Findeli 5, rue des Ribeauvier F-68150 RIBEAUVILLE tel -89 - 73.62.29 as new EVAA General Secretary. I am sure that he will make a good job and I welcome him warmly in this position.

2. Following a new attitude in the WAVA Council there will not in a foreseeable future be an acceptance that the IAAF takes over the responsibility for the member fees. The same must of course be valid between EAA and EVAA.

3. Looking back I will once more thank the excellent organizers of this summer’s European Championships in Budapest. The leading persons in OVAZE, MASZ, the City of Budapest and OTP-Penta Tours made a wonderful work that impressed very much. With hard work and perfect skill they solved all problems arising from the new political situation in Europe. 3,028 participants in Budapest rewarded them with admiration and gratitude.

The doping control resulted in one positive case. We have not yet had the B-sample tested and so I cannot give you to-day the name and consequences. I will come back to this.

4. The European Championships 1991 in road race and road walking will be staged early October in Riviera del Brenta (situated between Venice and Padua) will the following disciplines:
   October 5: Road race 10 km
   Road walk 20 km (women) and 30 km (men) in Dolo
   October 6: Road race 25 km in Mira

Applications for these Championships in 1993 must be sent in to EVAA during 1991.
5. The Stadia Championships 1992 will be staged in Kristiansand, Norway, in the period June 26 - July 4.
   To the programm will be added hammer for women (up to 60+).
   In conjunction with the Championships in Kristiansand 1992 the first European Pentathlon Championships for throwers will be staged somewhere near in time and place. The pentathlon will consist of shot, discus, javelin, hammer and weight-throwing.

6. As an interesting experiment Budapest will offer "International Indoor Meeting for Veterans" on March 7-9, 1991. I ask all EVAA Affiliates to give our General Secretary notion of the interest for European Indoor Championships for Veterans and if there are possibilities somewhere to stage these Championships without great expenses. We are looking forward to hearing from you.

7. During the next years discussions will be held on the question of adding Cross race, Ultralong races and "Berglauf" to our Championship programme. Some proposals have been raised but sponsorships will have great influence on coming decisions.

8. At the moment our "EVAA-Handbook" with the new Constitution, our By-laws, important addresses and so on (made out in our three languages) has been handed over for printing. It will soon be delivered to all Affiliates.

9. The General Secretary is instructed to make a programme over all national meetings for veterans open foreign participation to be distributed to the Affiliates. You are all requested to send him information over dates and places with addresses to clubs or organizers for these meetings in 1991 immediately. If he gets this help from you he will present an European veteran programme for us all that will be of great use. Give him your information not later than January 31, 1991.

10. At the WAVA Congress in Turku during next years' World Championships there will be taken decisions of great importance also for us in Europe. I do hope that you will all be there to support the views and proposals we work out together.

   Thus we will meet in Turku:
   Monday, July 22 at 09.00 a.m. European meeting
   Wednesday, July 24 at 09.00 a.m. WAVA Congress

   I hope that you will be represented with all the delegates you can vote with.

We will shortly close a great year for European Veterans Athletics. Once more I thank you for all your help and your cooperation and on behalf of the EVAA Board members I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Athletic Year 1991.

Yours sincerely

Hans Axmann
EVAA President
Herr Hans Axmann,
Delegate of Europe to WAVA,
Germany.

From: WAVA Secretary.

Dear Hans,

This letter is to acknowledge your letter of March 3rd, 1991. regarding certain decisions made at the WAVA Council meetings held in Turku last June.

As you raise a fundamental issue I shall circulate your letter to the WAVA Council and place it on the agenda for the Council meetings this year.

With best wishes,

cc The WAVA Council

Yours sincerely,

Alastair Lynn,
Secretary, WAVA.
During our Council meeting in Frankfurt on February 8-9 we had reason to discuss the minutes from the WAVA Council meeting in Turku on June 4-8, 1990. We reacted and will strongly protest against the decisions following point 6.6., REGIONAL REPORTS, on June 8.

It is our sincere conviction that we do not arrange any "WAVA Regional Championships" but that we have our own "European Veterans Championships" and that we have our own total authority over these championships. As a consequence hereof we do not consider the two decisions following point 6.6. as valid for the European Championships.

We expect that WAVA for the future refrains from such interventions in European matters.

Yours sincerely
EUROPEAN VETERANS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Hans Axmann
President
Dear Friends,

The following arrangements have been made:

1. Regional Meetings for Africa, North & Central America, South America, Oceania, Asia will be held at the school Martin koulu, Hopeasepänkuja 2 (very close to the Main Stadium) on July 22, commencing 0900 hours.

The European meeting will be held at the Hotel Hamburger Börs, Kauppiaskatu 6, also at 0900 hours on the 22nd July.

2. The Stadia and Non Stadia meetings will be held at 1300 hours on July 22 in the school Martin koulu.

Please notify the countries in your Region/members of the Stadia/Non Stadia committees.

I look forward to meeting and working with you again.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Alastair