

ELECTEES TO THE USATF MASTERS HALL OF FAME

Name	Discipline	Category	Gender	Status
Adams, Louise	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '01
Andberg, Bill	LDR	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '00
Anderson, Herb	T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '98
Anderson, Ruth	LDR	Athlete/Admin.	Female	Elected '96
Baker, Thane	T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '99
Benham, Ed	LDR	Athlete	Male	Elected '97
Billups, Ernie	LDR	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '00
Boal, Bob	LDR	Administrator	Male	Elected '98
Bowermaster, Mary	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '99
Braceland, George	LDR/T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '01
Bright, Norm	LDR	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '00
Brobston, Bill	LDR/T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Bulkley, Dan	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '99
Cappetta, Carolyn	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '00
Carter, Ross	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '98
Chapson, Harold	T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '98
Clarke, Anne	LDR	Athlete	Female	Old-Timer '90
Clarke, Polly	T&F	Athlete	Female	Old-Timer '98
Colbert, Larry	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Corbett, Ted	Ultra	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '99
Crane, Buell	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
D'Elia, Toshiko	LDR	Athlete	Female	Elected '96
Davies, Clive	LDR	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '98
Deacon, Bud	T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '01
Donley, Jerry	T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Male	Elected '99
Druckrey, Stan	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '01
Fine, Robert	RW	Athlete/Admin.	Male	Elected '02
Fitzgerald, Bill	T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '00
Gage, Tom	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '01
Gist, Burl	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '01
Gorman, Miki	LDR	Athlete	Female	Elected '96
Green, Max	RW	Athlete	Male	Elected '98
Green, Norman	LDR	Athlete	Male	Elected '96
Greenwood, Jack	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '97
Grissom, Joanne	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '99
Harvey, Rex	T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Male	Elected '00
Hatton, Ray	LDR/T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '01
Higdon, Hal	LDR	Athlete/Admin.	Male	Elected '99
Hilliard, Vanessa	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '01
Hills, Claude	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '99
Holland, Bernice	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '01
Hosack, Everett	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Irvine, Marion	LDR	Athlete	Female	Elected '98
Jackson, Dave	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Jordan, Payton	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '96
Keston, John	LDR/T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '01
Kiddy, Sandra	Ultra	Athlete	Female	Elected '02
Klein, Helen	Ultra	Athlete	Female	Elected '99
LaVeck, Bev	RW/T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Female	Elected '96
Larsen, Mel	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '00
Law, Jim	T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '01
Lukens, Ed	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '00
Matson, Shirley	LDR	Athlete	Female	Elected '98
McDaniels, Leonore	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '00
McDermott, Tom	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Mehl, Pearl	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '99
Mendyka, Edith	T&F	Athlete	Female	Old-Timer '99
Messenger, Archie	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '01
Miller, Christel	T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Female	Elected '97
Miller, Gary	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '99
Mimm, Bob	RW	Athlete	Male	Elected '98
Morcom, Boo	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '97
Mulkey, Phil	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '00
Mundle, Pete	T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Male	Elected '98
O'Neil, Jim	LDR/T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '98
Obera, Irene	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '96
Oerter, Al	T&F	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '99
Olson, Len	T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Male	Elected '02
Ottaway, Joan	LDR/T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '00
Pain, David	T&F	Administrator	Male	Elected '97
Peterson, Pat	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '98
Pirrung, Roy	LDR	Athlete	Male	Elected '01
Raschker, Phil	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '97
Ratelle, Alex	LDR	Athlete	Male	Old-Timer '99
Romansky, Dave	RW	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Sheahan, Al	T&F	Administrator	Male	Elected '98
Sheehan, George	LDR	Administrator	Male	Old-Timer '98
Sisley, Becky	T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Female	Elected '01
Spangler, Paul	LDR/T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '97
Stookey, James	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Stuart, Larry	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '99
Sutton, James	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Trent, Marcie	LDR	Athlete	Female	Old-Timer '01
Utes, Warren	LDR	Athlete	Male	Elected '99
Valien, Johnnye	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '02
Vernon, Jim	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '02
Vosburgh, Betty	T&F	Athlete	Female	Elected '02
Weinbel, Ken	T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Male	Elected '02
Whitley, Stan	T&F	Athlete	Male	Elected '00
Wojcik, Jerry	T&F	Athlete/Admin.	Male	Elected '00

Hall of Fame Adds 16 in Kansas City

Ten active and six old-timer masters athletes and administrators have been elected to the USATF Masters Hall of Fame. The actives are Larry Colbert, Robert Fine, Everett Hosack, Leonard Olson, Dave Romansky, James Stookey, James Sutton, Johnnye Valien, Betty Vosburgh, and Kenneth Weinbel. The old-timers are Bill Brobston, Buell Crane (deceased), Dave Jackson, Sandra Kiddy, Tom McDermott (deceased) and Jim Vernon.

becomes a pending world or U.S. record in the M100 category. Weight pentathlon, sprint and jump titles show a wide range of talent.

Len Olson, 71, Daytona Beach Shores, Fla., is a thrower and an

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RICHARD LEE SLOTKIN

New member of the Masters Hall of Fame, Sandra Kiddy, 65, Palm Springs, Calif., who in 1984 in the 100K Championships beat every male in the race. Nine of her 16 U.S. records still stand after 10 to 20 years.

The Hall now contains 28 women and 62 men, of whom 57 represent the discipline of T&F, 28 LDR, and 5 RW. **Larry Colbert, a 65-year-old sprinter from Glenarden, Md., currently holds four of the 10 records he set. All of his records exceeded 93% on the age-graded tables. An indoor specialist, he won 32 U.S. T&F indoor titles.**

Robert Fine, 71, Delray Beach, Fla., is one of the very few who has competed in every WMA championship. He authored the WMA first constitution and by-laws, its drug testing procedure and the bidder's contract. Fine has won and placed in numerous racewalking events, but is best known as a long-term USATF masters administrator. He founded the Masters Sports Association in 1971.

Everett Hosack, 100, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, set 24 records before 2002. Virtually every performance now

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10:00 am	50m hurdles , Pole-Vault
10:30	50m dash
11:15	800m long jump
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In order to compete in these Mid-America Regional Masters Championships, I do for myself, my heirs and my administrators, waive, release, and forever discharge any and all claims for damages which I may have or which may hereinafter accrue to me or my heirs against Colorado USA Track and Field, Colorado State University, the sponsors, officers, and agents thereof. I certify that I am in good physical condition and am aware that this meet will be held at high altitude (above 5000 ft.).

First Event \$25.00 \$ _____
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TOTAL \$ _____

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On The Run

By HAL HIGDON

Are Age-Groups Obsolete?

By any measurement, Jane's performance at The LaSalle Bank Chicago Marathon seemed remarkable. The 62-year-old woman from Battle Creek, Mich., crossed the finish line in 3:37:05, first in her age-group, well under the time she needed to qualify for the Boston Marathon. Strangely, Jane also had run the Detroit International Marathon the previous weekend, recording a time just under five hours, placing ninth in her age-group.

Only later did race officials discover that Jane wasn't Jane. A runner from Georgia had run 11 miles of the race chatting occasionally with a male in his 30s running the same pace. Curious to find out how his new friend had done, the Georgian checked the results and discovered that the other's bib number was listed to a 62-year-old woman. Several days later, Jane called race officials to confess her indiscretion. Choosing Detroit over Chicago, she let her 37-year old son use her race entry. The son, foolishly, had worn Mom's chip.

Are age groups obsolete? They seem to be in at least the largest races. As numbers soar from the thousands to tens of thousands, organizers find it increasingly difficult to certify that the runner listed actually ran the time listed. As the most popular races limit the size of their fields, runners who decide not to run are more likely to switch entries with friends, or even offer them on eBay, confusing the official results.

Cheats Hard to Identify

The use of chip timing should make keeping track of everybody easier, but in many ways identifying age-group cheats has become more difficult. One woman recently was overheard on a Boston subway bragging that her boyfriend had gotten her a Boston Marathon qualifying time by wearing her chip as well as his in a marathon.

Then there is the case of Chandra from Connecticut, who ran the last mile of a half-dozen marathons in 2002 in times near three hours. After she placed fourth in the Marine Corps Marathon, officials disqualified her, but Chandra still is listed as placing second in the 35-39 age-group on the website of the Hartford Marathon.

If race organizers can't certify the accuracy of their age-group awards, any attempt to certify age-group records seems doubly doomed. A friend of mine wanted to come to Chicago, because he hoped to use the fast course to break the American marathon record in an upper age group. He was certainly capable of doing so, but how do you verify such an accomplishment?

Age groups and the opportunity to compete against age peers is a strong motivating factor for many runners. "To place high in an age group is a goal for many runners," says Julie Koehler, 33, a public defender from Chicago. "For others, it's an unexpected bonus after crossing the finish line."

Honor System

Will that bonus be removed from us? Apart from the top finishers, ranking of runners relies at least partly on the honor system. The system still works in small, local races, where runners get to know their competitors. In a race with 250 finishers, someone wearing the wrong bib number, or one who pops onto the course in the last mile, probably will be noticed. Not so in a marathon with more than 10,000 finishers.

Most age-group "cheating" is not intentional. Did Jane send her son to Chicago to get her a Boston qualifying time? I hope not. More than likely she wanted only to give him a chance to run a race that had closed its entries. But how many Janes go undetected? For that reason, we need to eliminate age-group records and results from at least our largest races – or find a better way to authenticate them. □

(Hal Higdon, Senior Writer for Runner's World, has set American and world age-group records and won American and world age-group championships. Visit his website at: www.halhigdon.com.)



SUZY HESS

Class of 2002 Masters Hall of Fame electee, Bob Fine, 71, Delray Beach, Fla., successful racewalker, but better known as an administrator, helped establish World and National Masters Associations.

Hall of Fame

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administrator. He wrote the definitive history of masters T&F in 2001, and served on the USATF Masters Hall of Fame Committee, 1997 to 2000. He holds 12 national and three international weight pentathlon championship titles.

Dave Romansky, 64, Pennsville, N.J., rewrote the record books for M60 in 13 different RW events. He still holds 15 of the 16 records he set. A former Olympian, he coaches a dozen athletes and gives RW clinics.

James Stookey, 72, Dickerson, Md., holds two world and two U.S. records that exceed an age-graded 94%. His forte is hurdles and jumps. He was named Outstanding Male T&F Athlete three times.

James Sutton, 71, Reading, Pa., is an extremely tough competitor in the middle distances. He set 10 world and U.S. records, all but one over the 90% mark. He holds four X-C titles, 26 U.S. T&F titles, and won both the 800 and 1500 at the 1991 world championships, Turku, Finland.

Johnnye Valien, 77, Los Angeles, Calif., holds five world and six U.S. records. She frequently wins multiple events in high-level competition, including 14 WMA world, 21 WMA regional, 30 U.S. T&F indoor, and 33 U.S. T&F outdoor championship titles. Heptathlon and eight pentathlon titles have also been earned, leading to Valien being twice named Masters T&F Outstanding Combined-Event Athlete of the year.

Betty Vosburgh, 71, Vero Beach, Fla., holds five U.S. records and one world record that have stood for 10 years. She started as a road racer, but soon found herself better suited to sprinting and jumping. Four WMA world championship, 20 U.S. T&F indoor, and 22 outdoor championship titles are hers.

Ken Weinbel, 75, Seattle, Wash., chaired the USATF Masters T&F Committee from 1996 to 2000; founded and directs the Seattle Masters Classic, Weight & Superweight Championships; was the National Weight Coordinator 1994-97; and still frequently places in national weight throwing championships.

Old-Timers

Bill Brobston, 89, formerly of Saugerties, N.Y., now of DeLand, Fla., won events indoors and outdoors, road and track from 800 to the marathon. He won three WMA world championships in 1983, 13 U.S. T&F indoor, seven U.S. T&F outdoor, and 17 U.S. LDR titles. Masters LDR named him age-group athlete of the year seven times.

Buell Crane, Twin Falls, Idaho, died at the age of 94 following a career that spanned 1980 to 1994. Crane, a versatile jumper and thrower, holds four world and five U.S. records of the 21 he set.

Dave Jackson, 71, Carson, Calif., was an exceptional triple jumper who also had success in LJ and short hur-



GRETCHEN SNYDER

Dave Jackson, 71, Carson, Calif., newly-elected to the Masters Hall of Fame, whose career spanned 23 years, still holds two U.S. records 19 years after setting them.

dles. His career spanned 23 years, during which he won eight WMA world titles, 14 U.S. T&F outdoor and three indoor championship titles. He still holds two U.S. records 19 years after setting them.

Sandra Kiddy, 65, Palm Springs, Calif., set the ultra-running standard for Sue Ellen Trapp and Ann Trason. Nine of Kiddy's 16 U.S. records still stand after 10 to 20 years. In 1984 at 100K she beat every male in the race. In 1992 (at age 55) she finished second U.S. citizen at the IAU World 100K Cup – the oldest person ever selected for a national team.

Tom McDermott, Bradenton, Fla., died in 2000 at the age of 82. This thrower is one of very few athletes who could claim records in five five-year age groups (M60-80); he still holds three of 13 U.S. records he set. He won 22 U.S. T&F indoor and 16 U.S. T&F outdoor championship, seven national weight championship, and one national weight pentathlon championship titles.

Jim Vernon, 85, West Covina, Calif., was the pole vault world champion from 1975 through 1993 – 10 consecutive titles against the best. He also earned 14 U.S. T&F championship and five U.S. T&F indoor championship titles.

Norm Green announced the results of this year's balloting on behalf of Jerry Donley, Bev LaVeck, Mel Larsen, Shirley Matson, and Joan Ottaway of the Masters Hall of Fame Committee, supplemented by Ruth Anderson, Jerry Crockett, George Mathews, and Len Olson on the Old-Timers Committee. The announcement was the highlight of the joint meeting of Masters T&F and Masters LDR held Dec. 6 at the annual USATF convention.

Green reported that 165 ballots had been distributed to listed members of the two masters committees, plus previous Hall of Fame honorees. Ballots were returned by 126, who cast 1165 votes. Each person elected received a majority of the votes cast. □

– Norm Green

- Kansas City, Missouri - December 4-8, 2002

Highlights of Minutes - Masters Long Distance Running - 2002

Wednesday, Dec. 4, 7:30 p.m.

Norm Green, Chair, opened the meeting and announced that Barb Leininger, secretary, had just begun a new job and was unable to attend this convention. Without objection, Green offered to take minutes of this meeting.

Athlete of the Year Award Nominations

Don Lein distributed his reports, stating that RRIC had provided its "10K equivalencies" as a common means of comparing performances across distances.

Charles DesJardins reported that Barbara Miller, 63, had achieved 2:29:32 at the Clarksburg (CA) 30K for a single-age record, while Myra Rhodes, 70, clocked 2:47:08 for an age group record in the same event. Since both performances came too late to be included in the RRIC 10K equivalencies, they must be noted as additional information.

Chair's Report

The Executive Committee met at the Twin Cities Marathon and again this morning. To increase communication, it proposes to add two conference phone meetings in 2003. The only road championships we had in 2002 were the marathon and the women's 5K. Ken Robichaud has done a terrific job in contacting many events about bidding for a masters championship. He has nine bidders for 2003.

Norm Green said we will hear marvelous reports from Carole Langenbach for Cross-Country and Theresa Daus-Weber for Mountain/Ultra/Trail councils. The two councils have held great championships, and the two women have represented us well. The Executive Committee received Charles DesJardins' resignation in September and has appointed Mary Rosado to be our Team Manager for 2003's WMA World Championship in Puerto Rico. There has been no discussion, to date, about any U.S. candidate for WMA officer positions becoming vacant in 2003.

The Executive Committee recommends that this committee approve a new Championships Guideline that permits and, indeed, encourages double-dipping for masters who also earn open prize and cash awards. There was discussion of this concept, with one noting that, logically, a 60-year-old should be able to claim open, and 40-, 50-, 60-year cash awards appropriate to his/her place. John Boyle and Jack Wing volunteered to work on phrasing this guideline for a later decision.

Green reported that much of his time in 2002 has been spent dealing with international athletes claiming masters status, but for whom previous declared birth-dates would suggest they were under age 40. Hence, rule amendments have been proposed to deal with the issue.

Charles DesJardins reported that WMA's non-stadia committee has previously declared that this issue is exclusive to the U.S. At Riccione, Italy, this spring, there was a far wider recognition of the problem by representatives around the world. DesJardins has proposed to IAAF that it provide a clearing house to verify the age of any athlete seeking to compete outside his/her country of origin.

Green finally noted that his printed report can be found on p. 97 of the Reports book.

Board of Directors Report

Green reported that the Board spent

extended time discussing a report from a task force assigned to audit RRIC and RunningUSA. Terry Crawford, Angie Taylor, and Dan Pierce were the task force members. The final decision was to refer the report (except item 4) to the Budget Committee and to accept the 2003 budget proposal except for the line items (\$30,000 and \$85,000) related to RRIC/RunningUSA for action by the Budget Committee, with those two line items subject to later modification.

Further Discussion

Charles DesJardins stated that the best WMA Council position the U.S. could seek is that of Executive Vice-President, now held by Tom Jordan, who cannot be re-elected. Bill Quinlisk asked if anyone had raised the question of scoring Masters X-C by place instead of time. Carole Langenbach said that Anne Timmons had tried to propose a rule change and was told that she was too late for this year. John Boyle stated that he had studied 15 X-C results and found that place scoring would not have changed the results based on time scoring for masters.

Rules Pertaining to Masters

George Kleeman reported that items 2, 4, 7, 8 changed "alien" to "non-citizen" for consistent wording used internationally. Items 9, 11, and 172 are rules that relate to team championships and are consistent with an effort to eliminate national teams. Items 16 and 171 offer amendments that deal with the birth-date issue, primarily with respect to international athletes. Items 53, 54, 55, 113, and 129 deal with transponder timing for records.

Sam Walker moved, and Bob Langenbach seconded, the motion to deny chip timing for records. Extended discussion ensued, including a statement by Green that in his opinion chip timing provides safety for older athletes in a large event start. The motion was defeated. Ken Robichaud moved, and Jack Wing seconded, the motion to accept chip timing for record purposes. The motion was adopted 13 to 2.

Carole Langenbach asked to have Rule 1.1 apply to masters also, since it now restricts championships to U.S. citizens only in Junior and Open X-C championships.

Kleeman noted that items 130 and 131 offer new events for record-keeping purposes. On motion by Lloyd Stephenson, and second by Charles DesJardins, item 130 was approved. On motion by Ken Robichaud, and second by Charles DesJardins, item 131 was rejected.

Friday, Dec. 6, 7:30 a.m.

Athletes of the Year

Don Lein presented the LDR Athlete-of-the-Year nominees from whom the awardees were selected. (See chart on p. 11.) In the process there were objections to Lein's mandate of three performances before listing an athlete. After a motion to include Ray Parella for consideration in the M65 category, the committee subsequently added Warren Utes (only two listed performances) in the M80 and elected him.

Bill Quinlisk announced that Tom Dalton and Kathryn Martin would be presented to the X-C Council as X-C athletes of the year.

Records

Basil Honikman presented the recommendations of the Records Committee.

Honikman recommended Items 1-3, 8, 11-12, 15, 18-19, 22-25, 29-A, 30-31, 33, 35-36, 39, 41-44, 47, 51, 57, 61-63, 67, 71, 74-79, 83-84, 90, 90-A. He noted that a number of other pending records are close to approval. Charles DesJardins moved, Lonna Lee Williams seconded, and the committee voted to approve the recommended records.

Otto Essig Award

Green invited the committee to add other nominations to those of Jerry Crockett and the Twin Cities Marathon. There were none, and the committee voted to close nominations. Jerry Crockett was chosen.

IAAF Masters Committee

The committee voted to endorse the candidacy of Charles DesJardins.

Charles DesJardins said he has held the position two times. He noted Rex Harvey holds two positions in WMA. DesJardins said he considers himself electable since in 1995 he was the third-highest vote-getter and in 1999 the second highest. The IAAF Masters Committee is charged with oversight of WMA, so DesJardins believes Harvey would be subject to a conflict of interest.

WMA Report

The Non-Stadia Championships were held in Riccione, Italy, after the withdrawal of San Ysidro, Argentina. Italy had less than a year to prepare for the championships and did a great job. Sacramento (CA) withdrew from bidding for 2007 when it discovered the bidding fee had increased from \$40,000 to \$150,000.

The NCCWMA regional championships were held in Leon, Mexico. DesJardins was in charge of the 8K X-C, the half-marathon road event, and the road RW event. Brian Keaveny and DesJardins had to find new courses for the X-C and RW events and had to find RW judges when Mexico withdrew its judges. U.S. participation was limited, except for race-walkers.

IAAF Masters Committee Report

DesJardins said the committee met at Riccione in May. Doping control is an issue. A remedy would be for IAAF to ask WADA to fund masters testing. Dual citizenship is a second issue. Athletes need to declare which country gets "credit" for their performances. Kathryn Martin has not applied for transfer from Canada, although she is now a dual citizen. A third issue is verification of birth-dates. DesJardins wants IAAF to become a clearing house for birth-date verification for any athlete competing outside his/her country.

Law and Legislation

Mary Rosado reported that L&L finished its work in two hours. National clubs will be abolished effective Jan. 1, 2004. USOC-related items are being treated as housekeeping. L&L will mandate Form 990 reporting, though some associations are resisting. Age verification rules were tabled because Bill Roe had appointed a task force that has not yet met or reported.

Budget

Green distributed a report showing how he expects to allocate the \$28,700 granted to our committee (\$1300 less due to a transfer of that amount to the X-C Council). He stated that slightly less than \$10,000 had been spent by Nov. 30 of our \$30,000 budget in 2002.

Joint Meeting of Masters T&F and Masters LDR

Friday, Dec. 6, 1:00 p.m.

George Mathews, Masters T&F chair, opened the meeting.

USATF Foundation

John McArdle, President of the Foundation reported that the USATF Foundation has 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service and is a means to undergird the financing of our sport. Today he received promise of a bequest for \$100,000. Jerry Donley, member of the Foundation Board, added that masters have pressed for such a vehicle that makes long-range giving possible. (See story on p. 13).

WMA Stadia

Rex Harvey, Vice-President of Stadia, and Tom Jordan, WMA Executive Vice-President, both spoke on the next WMA Championships in Puerto Rico, July 2-13. (See Countdown to Puerto Rico on p. 19.)

WMA Team Manager

Sandy Pashkin said entry booklets will be mailed to three sites: Northwest Event Management; Ski & Travel; and USATF's national office. Pashkin expects to provide an insert with the booklets with information needed by the competitors. Mary Rosado will serve as the Masters LDR team manager; Pashkin and Rosado have a history of working together.

WMA Non-Stadia

Charles DesJardins said the 2002 Non-Stadia Championships were held in Riccione, Italy. The local organizers did a great job and could well be the bidders for the 2007 World T&F Championships. The NCCWMA Championships in Leon, Mexico, this past summer suffered from many problems. The half-marathon and racewalk courses had to be created by Brian Keaveny, Non-Stadia Chair. The 2004 Non-Stadia Championships will be in early spring in Auckland, New Zealand - the first to feature the new five-day schedule.

Masters Hall of Fame

(See separate Hall of Fame Report on p. 9.)

The active ballot for 2001 will carry over: Fay Bradley, Jack Bray, Phil Brusca, Gerry Davidson, Dudley Healy, Paul Heitzman, Betty Jarvis, Carol Johnston, Emil Pawlik, Carol Peebles, Armando Ricciardi, Elton Richardson, and William Walmoth.

The committee has added the following 12 individuals for 2003: Harry Brown, Bill Collins, Jeanne Daprano, Margaret Hinton, Richard Hotchkiss, Leon Joslin, Dale Lance, George Mathews, Mary Norckauer, Joan Rowland, Chuck Sochor, and Joan Stratton.

The six Old-Timer athletes will carry-over to the 2003 ballot. They are Konrad Boas, Milo Lightfoot, Ham Morningstar, Marilla Sallisbury, Linda Upton, and Gordon Wallace.

The committee will add the following for 2003: Jaclyn Caselli, Phil Conley, Ruth Eberle, Nolan Fowler, Robert Hunt, Tom Patsalis, Bob Richards, Lurline Struppeck, Sal Vasquez, and James York.

Another 49 individuals have met the 10-year criterion and are either deceased or have been inactive for five years. Thus, the Old-Timers committee will not run out of candidates for the foreseeable future. We also have 180 Actives who have met

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the 10-year criterion.

Green thanked the present MHOF committee: Jerry Donley, Mel Larsen, Bev LaVeck, Shirley Matson, and Joan Ottaway with Ruth Anderson, Jerry Crockett, George Mathews, and Len Olson joining for the Old-Timers process.

Without objection, the group agreed to continue the procedures that have served well over the past six years.

Rex Harvey noted that Everett Hosack's wife (age 92) has recently died.

National Masters News

Jerry Wojcik and Suzy Hess gave the NMN report. Wojcik said that the May 2002 issue reported the sale of NMN from *Runner's World* to the NMN staff. They continue to wonder why the journal fails to receive more LDR subscribers, since they have made efforts to cover the sport.

Hess said they have an 80.5% renewal rate. They have upgraded their Web site and suggest that Masters LDR provide a link to their Web site from its page on the USATF Web site.

There was a proposal for holding a road race with a major Masters T&F Championship to increase the interface of the two sporting audiences. Interest was expressed in this idea.

IAAF Masters Committee

Candidates

Rex Harvey provided his qualifications for the position and answered questions. Charles DesJardins followed Harvey and outlined his qualifications. Harvey was given a brief moment for rebuttal.

Marketing and Communications

Craig Masback, CEO, said USATF had no marketing plan or department when he started. His early efforts were focused on elite athlete marketing and drove sponsorship dollars from \$2 million to \$9 million. He now sees youth, LDR, and masters as a great upside market. The masters movement fits the demographic trend of our nation. Craig expects to report next year that we have a masters sponsor.

Jill Geer, Director of Communications, began March 2000. At that time the fax list was 300; it is now 1000. Our Web site is viewed by 10,000 each day. Jill has moved to Boston and will be covering the Masters Indoor Championships in conjunction with the U.S. Open and the adidas meet. She handed out a new booklet, *Using the Local*



Shirley Matson, W60 LDR Athlete of the Year.

Media to Your Advantage.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m. with apologies to the Associations Committee for being overtime.

Saturday, Dec. 7, 9:30 a.m.

Championship Bids

Ken Robichaud managed the consideration of championship bids. He led the committee through copies of a slide presentation emphasizing that he wants to produce quality events meeting masters athlete expectations, and provide a marketable asset in our masters LDR series. The presentation proposed a favorable event schedule covering all event lengths for competition and featuring multiple year bids. (Approved bids are in the LDR Championships' chart below.)

Jim Barnett, race director for the Akron Marathon, presented a bid to host a marathon 5-person relay as part of his event to include open teams and teams for 40, 50, 60, and 70-year-olds (latter category for men only). They expect 5000 competitors. The committee discussed whether teams should be limited to USATF member clubs, or whether they could be "association all-star teams." That issue will be resolved by a division task force appointed

by Jerry Crockett.

Robichaud announced that Freihofer's 5K had already been awarded the 2003 event for women and will have \$3000 in prize money. The Heritage Oaks 10K, Paso Robles, CA, is one of two bidders for that distance. DesJardins will serve as race referee; Lloyd Stephenson has run the race twice and expressed favorable reaction to it.

Jerry Crockett moved, Jack Wing seconded, and the committee voted to accept all events except the 10K for the time period they had bid. The committee also directed that the contracts for each event must specify that the listed prize money is for USATF members.

In regard to the two events bidding for 10K, there was some concern expressed about awarding Paso Robles five years since it is an unknown event for national purposes; it does have strong endorsement by Pacific Association, having served as its association championship. Jack Wing moved, Don Lein seconded, and the committee voted to accept the Heritage Oaks 10K bid for the five-year period; Robichaud registered the single negative vote.

Robichaud announced that he had just been handed an incomplete bid from Florida to host the 5K men's event in 2003 and that he had been in discussion with the Stockadathon 15K in Schenectady, NY, but was not ready to present that bid either.

Green expressed the strong sentiment of the committee that Robichaud has done an outstanding job this year.

Saturday, Dec. 7, 3:30 p.m.

X-C Council

Carole Langenbach said she found it an interesting experience to move from our committee to being part of the X-C Council, where she was asked why masters need all those championships. She reported that no new bids had been offered.

During this year, regional championships were held in Mid-America, Northwest, and West. Several persons are asking for place scoring; there is a task force working on the issue. It is also considering how many women should score for age 40-49, and 50-59. All members of a team will get a medal, not just the scoring members.

MUT Council

Theresa Daus-Weber reported that MUT had held six national championships this year. She reported on the 2003 championships, and the mountain selection races also mentioned at the LDR Division meeting. The World Trophy Mountain race in Alaska is scheduled for Sept. 18-21.

Roy Pirrung reported that the world 24-hour race will be at Uden, Netherlands, in mid-October. Expect a U.S. team of three men and three women. We have been invited to send a masters team to the world 100K at Taipei, Taiwan, Nov. 16. MUT's Web site contains profiles and can be accessed through USATF's website. Pirrung and Daus-Weber noted that three MUT athletes had been featured by USATF in its Athlete-of-the-Week series.

Double-Dipping

Green noted that this item had been tabled for study and is now ready to be discussed. John stated that race directors often do not know what they should do regarding masters awards. After discussion and expressions of opinion on both sides of the issue, the committee voted: 10 in favor; 3 against; 2 wanting to hold the topic for another year.

Law and Legislation

Mary Rosado reported that the Masters T&F Executive Committee and our Executive Committee will be asked to share in a conference call to deal with the

issue of a new Nike uniform. Some persons have rumored that Nike will supply free uniforms.

Officials Committee

Joyce Hodges-Hite discussed uniform prices, where shirts cost \$36 and Gore-Tex \$400. She said officials had expressed concern about the lack of stipends.

Announcements

Charles DesJardins reminded those going to Puerto Rico that they were likely to compete against athletes younger than their announced age group, since the IAAF has yet to solve the problem of unverifiable birth-date claims for many foreign athletes. Green reported that Jan. 10 would be the deadline for submitting to him any 2002 related Requests for Reimbursement in order to clear with the national office. Green asked for committee approval to add Don Lein (Awards and Marketing) to the Executive Committee and received that approval. He announced that last year he had agreed to alternate George Kleeman and Mary Rosado on the Executive Committee, 2003 is Rosado's year.

Committee Appointments

Green asked for volunteers to serve as our representatives to other committees. The following were appointed: L&L - Mary Rosado; Rules - George Kleeman; Medical Services Subcommittee - Mary Rosado; Associations - Don Shepan; Member Services - Bob Langenbach; Records - Linda Honikman; Officials - Joyce Hodges-Hite. At-Large Members of our committee for 2003 will be Dudley Healy, Ruth Anderson, Jerry Crockett, Jim Garcia, and Marlene Atwood.

New Business

John Boyle was asked about our proposed brochure and noted that most of the expense is due to color; he could cut the cost in half if it were black and white. The committee affirmed the use of color.

Roger Price reported that George Mathews had announced in Masters T&F the possibility of holding a road race with the U.S. Masters Outdoor Championships (Eugene, OR, in 2003). Green said he had discussed that possibility with Mathews after yesterday's meeting and noted that since we lack an 8K championship, we might be able to consider it. □

Norman Green, Chair and Secretary pro-tem

USATF National Masters LDR Championships

Date	Event	Location
2003		
February 2	Half-Marathon ('04, '05)	Austin, TX
February 15	6K X-C	Houston, TX
May 10	25K	Grand Rapids, MI
May 24	20K ('04, '05)	Wheeling, WV
May 31	Women's 5K ('04)	Albany, NY
August 2	50 Mile Trail	Crystal Mountain, WA
August 23	50K Trail	Sausalito, CA
September 13	100 Mile	Sylvania, OH
September 28	10K ('04, '05, '06, '07)	Paso Robles, CA
October 5	Marathon ('04, '05)	Minneapolis, MN
October 11	Marathon Relay	Akron, OH
November 2	8K X-C	Rochester, NY
November 15	24-Hour, 1-Day	San Diego, CA
November 23	5K X-C	Holmdel, NJ
December 7	10K X-C	Greensboro, NC
2004		
February 7	6K X-C	Indianapolis, IN
Nov. 14 or 21	8K X-C	Boston, MA
December 5	10K X-C	Portland, OR



JERRY WOJCIK
Eddy Hellebuyck, M40 LDR Athlete of the Year.