

Technical Advisory Group – 27th November 2015

Meeting Note

Matters arising

- Arrangements for making results of Club Connect Relays available promptly to Team Managers were confirmed.
- Confirmed that a small number of participants from the Website workshop at Conference would be invited to review the Officials section of the website and suggest improvements.
- Presentation on Firearms Technology, received by TAG at last meeting, is scheduled for the next CEOs' Forum.
- Record of Achievement returns being available directly to UKA as well as to Tri-Regional Secretaries creates greater opportunities for data analysis of levels of activity.
- The Managing Director of "runbritain" has been invited to attend the next meeting of the Endurance Sub-Group to discuss the role of Race Adjudicators and other matters.
- Three successful Facilities Maintenance courses have been delivered in Grangemouth, York and Lee Valley.
- Thanks were expressed to all involved in submitting NTD reports and to those involved in the Review Meeting. Meetings will be arranged with Competition Providers to pursue any concerns raised.
- UKA nominees for Sports Officials UK awards had been very successful. There were four winners and three runners up. Letters of congratulation will be sent from the CEO.

Education Sub-Group

- Level 3 courses and Competition Management Award courses have taken place successfully.
- The possibility of a Level 3 Track course in Scotland is under discussion.
- Tutor training for Level 2 courses will take place on 19th/20th December. Initially this will focus on reviewing the materials.
- Good progress has been made with the Race Walking Association on bringing qualifications in line with other disciplines.
- The group meets next on 3rd December.

Endurance Sub-Group

- Level 2 tutor training course has taken place at Coventry.
- Level 3 course will take place at Nuneaton on 20th February 2016.
- An opportunity for an out-of-area report has been provided at the Road Relays in April to assist a Level 3 candidate to progress.

Rules Review Group

- Agreed that from time to time TAG will issue Guidance Notes. The first of these will allow "doubling up" in lanes for 800m starts indoors, so that this can happen during the 2016 indoor season, pending the rule change in April 2016.
- Appendix D has been updated.

- Discussions took place as to the best format for printing the new Rule Book.
- Next meeting of the group will be on 1st December. Four queries recently raised will be discussed.

IAAF Rule Changes

- TAG was advised that there are no proposals for significant changes.

2016 Fixtures

- The 2016 outdoor availability form will be mailed out in the next few days.

Four-Year Officials Strategy Plan

- Progress so far and actions still to be taken had been summarised and circulated in advance of the meeting.
- The structure for delivery in the other Home Countries was now clearer, with an additional member of staff in Scotland and new volunteer personnel in Northern Ireland. The details of responsibilities in Wales were still being finally confirmed.

Record Update

- The measurements required to confirm the length of the 60m straight at NIAC and the conformity of the track inclinations had now been made and sent to the IAAF.

2016 Officials' Conference

- The Working Group has met and good progress is being made with planning.
- The Home Countries Forum and the England COFSECs Forum will meet on the Saturday.

Communications to officials

- Communications relating to simplification of the officials' pathway and to Photo-finish experience requirements were agreed. These will go out in December.

Competition Management Award

- Five candidates have fulfilled the requirements and their applications were approved.

2017 IAAF World Championships

- The Project Group has met to consider draft proposals for Event Management and Chief Officials appointments.

Future dates

- 15th January 2016 TAG
- 28th/29th November 2016 Peer Groups – Indoor Selections
- 16th/17th January 2016 Peer Groups – Outdoor Selections

Preliminary future TAG dates 10th March 2016, 29th May 2016, 22nd September 2016