

SUMMARY OF CMA DIRECTORS MEETING
February 18, 2015

1. New Provincial Director- Grant Towns, nominated by the Province of Manitoba, was appointed a Director of the CMA.
2. Membership Report- Sherry Watts' report showed that there were 1,160 members now, compared with 1,188 in April, 2014, each including 8 Life Members.
3. Financial Report- The laques for the 2014 National Cross Country; and we paid \$549.90 in total for 50% of the "Mailchimp" account shared with the following balances were reported by Jack Castle at January 31: \$22,641.67 Cdn, \$698.32 US, and \$12,462.02 Money Market. In the month of January, we received #1,309.75 as the balance of the sanction fees and payment for the medals, ribbons and pOMA and changes made by AC to the Rankings site; and \$393.76 in rent and other administrative costs. The budget comparison for the period from November 1, 2014 to January 31, 2015 was also reviewed, and it showed net expenditures of \$480.00 for the period. We have not yet received the \$15,000 advance from AC of membership fees for the year 2015, but it is expected shortly.
4. Communications Report- Doug Smith's report highlighted the 4 ways in which we communicate with members – Email news to the MailChimp listing (2,000 +); CMA Newsbriefs, weekly, to members only; Team Canada Facebook group; and News posted periodically on the web site.
5. Provincial Directors' Reports- Alberta: Donna Dixon's report dealt with the awards presentations to the 2014 Alberta Masters Athletes of the Year, and schedule for Alberta Indoor meets. British Columbia: Jake Madderom's report dealt with the BC Masters Half Marathon Championships, and the BC and Canadian Indoor records set already in 2015. Jake will look into the Americas Masters Games, being held in Vancouver on August 20 to 29, 2016. New Brunswick- Ross Britton's report dealt with the 16 new NB masters Indoor records set in January and February, and the schedule of Indoor and Outdoor meets for 2015. Nova Scotia- Jo Welch's report dealt with the first Masters Athlete of the Month, declared for January, and masters competing in 4 x 200 relays in January. Ontario: Doug Smith's report dealt with memberships so far this year, holding an Indoor Steeplechase at a meet, and the OMA 8K Road Race Championships. Quebec: Bernard Lachance's report dealt with the number of members already this year, 4 open Indoor meets involving masters, and a 1500m Community Race, as part of the AC Indoor Championships. Saskatchewan: Carol LaFayette-Boyd's report dealt with the SK and CAN records set recently at events with masters participation, the Indoor events schedule, and the tentative Outdoor schedule for 2015.
6. Review of Proposed Logos- Paul Osland reported that he will be taking the comments from the members of the Board back to Jay Yakabowich, and will come back to the Board with revised versions for consideration.
7. Stadia- Brian Keaveney's report dealt with the 2015 Indoor Championships, Toronto, 14-15 March (for which he will make some 27" hurdles), and the Outdoor Championships, in St. Catharines ON, on July 17 and 18 (because we are combining with the AO Championships, we must hold our meet on Friday and Saturday).
8. Non-Stadia- John Powell's report dealt with the 5 events scheduled for 2015: Half Marathon, Calgary, May 31; 5K, Toronto, September 13; Farquharson XC, October 4; 10K Road, Amherstburg, near Windsor, ON, May 3; and 8K XC, Kingston, ON, November 28. Standards for the 5K which were relaxed from last year's standards were presented. It was suggested that they be relaxed further, and that John look at the AC Rankings Site, to see how many athletes from 2014 could have met the recommended 2015 standards. **Regarding the National XC, Jake recommended that the scoring for the GAAT Trophy be changed, so that at least one member of each provincial team be from each gender, and this was approved.**
9. Record Liaison- Donna Dixon reported that there were still 4 individual and one relay world records set by Canadians which have not yet been reflected on the WMA web site, but they are expected to be included in the next updating.
10. WMA/NCCWMA- Brian reported that the facilities in Juarez, Mexico, where the NCCWMA Championships in 2017 will tentatively be held, are good and the hotels are reasonably-priced. In Lyon, France this year, Brian will be involved with organizing the Non-Stadia events. Paul reported that the WMA has been given his name, and that of Mike Sherar for the M50 800m, which will be held in conjunction with the IAAF World Championships in Beijing, on August 29, 2015. It isn't known if AC will provide any support.
11. Athletes of the Year- Vern reported that nominations for the 2014 awards have been requested, and some nominations have been received.
12. Records- The following new records were presented and ratified: 2 new Road Bests; 9 new Indoor Track and Jumps records; 5 new Indoor Outdoor Throws records; 1 new Throws Pentathlon record (subject to verification); 7 new Indoor Racewalk records; and 6 new Indoor Relay records..
13. 50m Hurdle records- Jake suggested that the 50m Hurdle records not be maintained, as it's not a standard distance, and the WMA doesn't have specifications for it. **It was agreed that we continue to maintain it, but we would indicate on the web site that it is an exception to the rule requiring WMA specifications, and we would provide the specifications which are being used.**
14. Uniforms for Lyon- Based on a choice from AC, it was agreed that **we will request AC to come up with a replica singlet for Lyon costing in the range of \$35.00, for which we will be able to have members commit in advance to sizes, after which the orders will be placed, with no liability for the CMA.** We will distribute to the Board the list of past allowable singlets from the web site, so we can decide if any of the previously allowable designs will no longer be allowed for Lyon.
15. Memberships- A special membership category, for non-competing AC members who have already paid to be AC members as coaches or officials, was proposed by Paul, at \$5.00 per annum. **This suggestion wasn't agreed to, but instead it was suggested that arrangements be made with the provinces involved, to integrate the membership with the provincial memberships.**