



**CANADIAN MASTERS  
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**Canadian Masters Athletics (CMA)  
2021 Annual Meeting of Members  
Irving Oil Field House, 129 McAllister Drive, Saint John, NB  
And Through Online Conference Facilities (Zoom)  
Saturday, March 26, 2022, 7:00 pm ADT**

This is the regular 2021 Annual Meeting of the members of the CMA, which **is being held in a “hybrid” format**. All full masters members of each Athletics Canada branch automatically become members of the CMA each year, resulting in CMA having almost 1,150 members at this time. In order to allow members to attend the Annual Meeting in person, the Board has scheduled the meeting to be held in the Irving Oil Field House, after the day's events at the CMA 2022 Indoor Championships on Saturday, March 26, 2022. Because of the continuing effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Board has also arranged for members to attend the meeting through online “Zoom” facilities.

On the next page, you will find the formal Notice of this Meeting and, on the pages that follow, details about the procedures regarding the quorum and the candidates for election to the Board and as Officers. As we do each year, our members across the country will all have a chance to vote in these elections, through the mail or email ballot which is attached, or through the “Trackie” voting system. All members of the CMA on the date of the Meeting are eligible to attend the meeting, and to vote.

**The CMA By-Laws do not provide for Annual Meetings to be held by online conference facilities. However, considering the continuing exceptional circumstances, and the wish to allow as many members as possible to take part in the Annual Meeting, the Board has decided to hold the Meeting in this “hybrid” format, and provide for all voting in the Board and Officer elections to be by way of the “Mail/Email Ballot”, which includes online voting through “Trackie”.**

**During the “in-person” meeting, we will follow all requirements from local health authorities regarding Covid-19.**

**Instructions for Taking Part in the Annual Meeting and the Elections for Directors and Officers**

- 1) To take part in the Meeting in any way, including to vote in the election of Directors and Officers, you must be a Masters Member of the CMA for the year 2022, on the date of the Meeting.**
- 2) In order to be able to efficiently run the Meeting in a hybrid format, and to ensure that we will have a quorum, the Board requires that all Members who wish to take part in the Meeting in person or by “Zoom” must register their attendance by March 24, and their votes for the Directors and Officers elections, by checking in on Trackie at [www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting](http://www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting)**
- 3) As part of registering for the Meeting, Members will be required to provide an email address. All members who register to attend the Meeting will be contacted by email and will be provided with the detailed instructions about accessing the “Zoom” call for the Meeting. If you attend the Meeting in person, please just ignore the “Zoom” instructions.**
- 4) In addition, all other Members who wish to vote in the elections for Directors and Officers, but do not wish to take part in the Meeting, may also do so by 11:59 pm on March 24, via a Mail/Email Ballot, or online on Trackie at [www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting](http://www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting)**
- 5) Information pertaining to the use of the Mail/Email Ballot, including the form of the Mail/Email Ballot, are included in Attachments “A” and “C” to the Notice of the Annual Meeting.**

**Canadian Masters Athletics (CMA)**  
**Notice of 2021 Annual Meeting of Members**  
**Irving Oil Field House, 129 McAllister Drive, Saint John, NB**  
**And Through Online Conference Facilities (Zoom) (Note 1)**  
**Saturday, March 26, 2022, 7:00 pm ADT**

Notice is hereby given of the Annual Meeting (the "Meeting") of the Members of Canadian Masters Athletics, to be held on Saturday, March 26, 2022, at 7:00 pm in the Irving Oil Field House, 129 McAllister Drive, Saint John, NB, and through online "Zoom" facilities, for the following purposes:

1. Approval of the minutes of the previous CMA Annual Meeting, held on March 23, 2021 (Note 2);
2. Review of the following Reports from Officers, Provincial Directors, Record Chairs and others, contained in the 2020-2021 Annual Report (Note 2):
  - President's report;
  - Treasurer's report, including the Financial Statements for the year ended October 31, 2021;
  - Vice-President, Stadia report;
  - Vice-President, Non-Stadia report;
  - Membership Secretary report;
  - Reports from Provincial Directors; and
  - Other reports;
3. Elections for **four positions** on the Board of Directors for 2021-2022 (Note 4);
4. Election of Officers for 2021-2022, from among the elected Directors (Note 4); and
5. Other Business, if any.

This notice is provided by the Board of Directors of the CMA.

*Vern Christensen*

**Vern Christensen,  
President**

**March 5, 2022**

**Notes:**

**1) The CMA By-Laws do not provide for Members' Meetings to be held by Online Conference Facilities, nor on a "hybrid" basis. However, the Board has considered the continuing situation regarding COVID-19, the continuing reluctance of many Members to travel and the wish to allow as many members as possible to take part in the Annual Meeting, and has concluded that it is in the best interests of the CMA and its Members to convene this Meeting in this manner.**

**2) Copies of the 2020-2021 Annual report, containing the various reports referred to in item 2 above, and the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting, will shortly be available, will be provided to members upon request, and will be available on line and at the Meeting.**

**3) Please refer to the following Attachment "A", which contains important information about the Meeting, how Members can take part in the Meeting, and the elections for Directors and Officers.**

**4) Attachment "B" to this Notice contains information about the persons who are proposed for election as Directors and Officers at the Meeting.**

**Canadian Masters Athletics (CMA)  
2021 Annual Meeting of Members – March 26, 2022 (the "Meeting")  
Information for Members on Organization of Meeting  
Including Election of Directors and Officers**

The following information is provided for the benefit of the members of the CMA ("Members") by the CMA Board of Directors (the "Board"), in accordance with the By-Laws of the CMA (the "By-Laws"), as varied by the Board for the purposes of holding the 2021 Annual Meeting of Members.

**Holding of Meeting on a "Hybrid" Basis**

The By-Laws do not provide for the holding of the Annual Meeting of Members on any basis other than "in-person". However, the Board has considered the continuing situation regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, the continuing reluctance of many Members to travel, the wish to provide to the Members the ability to discuss the CMA's activities during 2020-2021, and the ability to take part in elections for Directors and Officers, which are mandated by the CMA By-Laws. The Board has concluded that it is in the best interests of the CMA and its Members to convene the Meeting in this hybrid manner.

**Quorum for Meeting**

The quorum for the Meeting is the lesser of 20 Members and 3% of the number of Members. As we have approximately **1,150** members at this time, the quorum will be **20** Members, and the Meeting will have to be adjourned to another time, unless we have that quorum of Members in attendance at the time when the Meeting is to start. The Board has decided that attendance in person or by online conference will be considered as being present for purposes of forming a quorum.

**Attendance at Meeting**

All Members of the CMA at the date of the Meeting have the right to attend the Meeting in person or by Zoom. In order to facilitate the Meeting, **Members who wish to attend in any manner are required to register their attendance, and their votes for the Directors and Officers elections, by checking in on Trackie before 11:59 pm on March 24, 2022 at [www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting](http://www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting)**. Those who register will be required to provide an email address, and they will be contacted and **will be provided with the detailed instructions about accessing the Zoom call for the Meeting**. Members who attend in person will ignore the Zoom instructions.

**Voting at Meeting**

All Members, whether in attendance in any manner or not, have the right to vote in the election of Directors and Officers, by means of a "Mail/Email Ballot", described under "Use of Mail/Email Ballot", below, or by voting in person. Members who vote using any format of Mail/Email Ballot, including "Trackie", will be considered to be in attendance at the Meeting, for purposes of a quorum, if they are present in person or via Zoom.

**Board of Directors**

The By-Laws provide for a Board of Directors made up of 10 Directors who are elected by the Members ("Elected Directors"), and up to 10 others who are nominated by individual provinces or territories. All Directors must at all times when they are Directors be Members of the CMA. The 10 Elected Directors serve for periods of 3 years each, on a rotating basis, so that approximately one-third of the Elected Directors must either be re-elected or replaced at each Annual Meeting (the "Director Rotation"). On the basis of the Director Rotation, the terms of the Elected Directors (before the recent resignation of a Director) would have been slated to expire as follows: expiring at the 2021 Annual Meeting (March 26, 2022) – **Dala Bortolussi, Carolyn Coffin and Pete Dehal**; expiring at the 2022 Annual Meeting – **Amy Ballon, Wendy Melvin, Dan Parsons and Katherine Willis**; and expiring at the 2023 Annual Meeting – **Vern Christensen, Karla Del Grande and Robert Jackson**. However, Dan Parsons has indicated that he will resign from the Board effective with the close of the Meeting on March 26, 2022. His Board position is therefore effectively vacant at this time, and must be filled at the Meeting.

**Election of Directors by Members**

Based on the Director Rotation, the three Elected Directors whose terms expire at the Meeting (**Dala Bortolussi, Carolyn Coffin and Pete Dehal**) must either be re-elected or replaced at the Meeting. Further, **as a result of the resignation mentioned in the previous paragraph, elections for 4 Directors will take place at the Meeting**. Each of the three above-mentioned Directors have indicated that they are willing to stand for re-election. In addition, two other Members, **Nanci Patten and Susan Stone**, have volunteered to stand for election as Directors, so that

there are five nominees for election to the four Director positions available. Of these five nominees, **the four who receive the greatest number of votes in the election will be declared elected as Directors. Each of the four candidates who are elected will serve a term of three years, resulting in the existing Directors retaining their Director Rotation and the fourth Director joining them in that rotation.** As provided in the By-Laws, a **description of each of the five candidates for election as Directors is included in Attachment “B”.** Each Member of the CMA may vote in this election as described under “Voting at Meeting”, above.

### **Provincial/Territorial Directors**

The By-Laws provide that provinces or territories may name in total up to 10 Directors to the Board, provided that the provinces or territories have agreed to be part of an agreement between the CMA and Athletics Canada (AC), under which full masters members of the provincial or territorial AC branch will automatically also be members of CMA, upon the payment of an agreed-upon fee to the CMA. When provinces or territories do not name a Director, the Board may appoint their Directors. Under these arrangements, Directors were named during the past year representing the following provinces or territories: British Columbia, Northwest Territories; Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The Board anticipates that these provinces or territories will continue to name representatives as Directors.

### **Officers**

The By-Laws provide that, at the Annual Meeting, the Members of the CMA must elect certain Officers, referred to as the “Elected Officers”. The Elected Officers are the following: President; Vice-President, Stadia; Vice-President, Non-Stadia; Secretary; and Treasurer; and they must be elected from among the Elected Directors. The Board also may, if it wishes, appoint other Officers from among the members of the Board.

### **Election of Officers by Members**

The following Board members have indicated that, if they are Directors after the election of Directors at the Meeting, they will be willing to stand for election for the following Elected Officer positions: **President – Vern Christensen; Vice-President, Non-Stadia – Vern Christensen; Secretary – Dala Bortolussi; and Treasurer – Wendy Melvin. No candidate is being nominated for the position of Vice-President, Stadia.** As provided in the By-Laws, a **description of each of the candidates for these positions as Elected Officers is included in Attachment “B”.** As with the election of Directors, Members may use the Mail/Email Ballot, or the online “Trackie” ballot, for the election of these Officers. **Although Vern Christensen has volunteered to stand for the position of Vice-President, Non-Stadia on a temporary basis, and has been assisting in that capacity recently, other Board members or non-Board volunteers will be assisting with the duties involved with this position. With regard to the position of Vice-President, Stadia, the Board is continuing its efforts to find a Member who is a qualified candidate for this position.** When the Board finds such a Member, arrangements will be made to bring that person onto the Board, and have him or her elected or appointed to the position of Vice-President, Stadia. If a Member wishes to volunteer, or to recommend another Member for this position, please contact the Nominating Committee (email [CMA@canadianmasters.ca](mailto:CMA@canadianmasters.ca)) at any time, so that the possibility of such Member joining the Board can be explored. In the meantime, the CMA is appreciative of the efforts of the organizing groups who are hosting our Stadia Championships and who are making it possible for the CMA to provide Stadia Championships for its Members.

### **Use of Mail/Email or Online Ballot**

Attachment “C” is the standard form of Mail/Email Ballot which may be used by Members to vote for the Directors and Officers. To use this Mail/Email Ballot, please complete it by placing marks in the boxes opposite up to four of the candidates for the election as Directors, and one candidate for each of the Elected Officer positions. Please print your name and address, sign the Ballot and return it by mail, email or fax to the CMA at the following address: **Annual Meeting Ballot, c/o Vern Christensen, 73 Pine Crescent, Toronto, ON M4E 1L3; or by email to [CMA@canadianmasters.ca](mailto:CMA@canadianmasters.ca); or to fax number (416) 364-2067.** As the preferred alternative, you may use the equivalent online ballot, through the “Trackie” link: [www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting](http://www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting). All Ballots received in any of the formats as stated above by 11:59 pm on March 24, 2022 will be included in the voting at the Meeting, provided that they will be used in the election to vote only for each person who continues to be a candidate in the elections. If the Meeting is adjourned, they will be used at the adjournment of the Meeting.

*Vern Christensen*

**Vern Christensen,  
President**

**March 5, 2022**

**Canadian Masters Athletics (CMA)** **Attachment "B"**  
**2021 Annual Meeting of Members – March 26, 2022**  
**Names and Descriptions of Candidates for Director and Officer Elections**

The following detailed information on each of the named candidates for election as Directors or Officers at the March 26 Annual Meeting of the CMA has been provided by the individual candidates:

**Candidates for Election as Directors:**

**Dala Bortolussi (Quebec) –**

- Masters sprinter - Competed locally in youth; as Master, competed in Dartmouth Relays (three times); several CMA/NCCMA indoor and outdoor championships; AC Masters exhibition races in Ottawa in 2017 and Montreal Grand Prix in 2018.
- Held provincial records - 50m, 60m, 200m and 400m; CMA meet record 50m.
- CMA Director (2021- present) - Co-Chair, Member Recruitment and Retention Committee; Member, Online Seminars Committee; Volunteer, Board Secretary duties.
- Education - M.Sc. Community Health, University of Toronto, specialization in health promotion research (1995).
- Work experience, health field - Research Assistant, McGill University, Dept. of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, research, breast cancer and communication, 1996-1999.
- Personal Accomplishment - Raised two strong, driven, independent and very intelligent young women (1999-present).
- Community involvement - Volunteer tutor (2004-2020) in local elementary schools with students with learning disabilities; organizer of four blood drives with Héma-Québec and Brossard Soccer Association (2014-2017).
- More involvement - Chair, Parent Participation Organization at my children's elementary school for 2 years, committee member for 6 years; co-manager of girls' youth soccer teams.
- Creative talent - Created unique videos of Masters athletics: [https://youtu.be/9\\_8IRYAUuio](https://youtu.be/9_8IRYAUuio), <https://youtu.be/INRZUD0ryY0>; coordinator, creative director, producer of various soccer-themed short videos that won a Radio-Canada contest (2014).
- Persuasive writer - Successful Research Assistant/Grant Writer, drafting research grant proposals for various professors and doctors; also, successful grant proposal for musical instruments for elementary school band program.
- Podcasts: Several podcast interviews on masters sprinting in 2021 - Inspired Soles: Masters Sprinting: Why Not You? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sy9wiy8xYsg>; and Small Talk with Nancy <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sy9wiy8xYsg>
- **Personal goals on CMA Board – Continue to channel my experience, enthusiasm for Masters athletics and creative talent to promote our sport, and promote CMA membership, particularly to women throughout Canada. If successful in retaining my Board position, give back more by taking on officer position as Secretary.**

**Carolyn Coffin (Manitoba) –**

- Educational background in Kinesiology (BKin, McMaster University, 1996-2000) and Physiotherapy (BScPT, Queen's University, 2000-2003)
- Former Physiotherapist in clinic and hospital settings (2003-2012)
- Certified Health Coach (Primal Health Coach Institute, 2016-present)
- Running Coach (UESCA, pursuing NCCP certification)
- Business Owner (2012-present) with a private practice centered around run coaching, diet & lifestyle modifications, and a focused mindset <https://www.carolyncoffin.com>
- In-house run coach for City Park Runners in Manitoba (Dec 2021-present)
- Host & producer of a weekly running podcast, Inspired Soles (Sept 2020-present)  
- <https://www.buzzsprout.com/1312027>
- CMA Board of Director (Mar 2021), member of the Recruitment and Retention Committee and Athletics Manitoba's Masters Committee, gave online injury prevention seminar to CMA membership in May 2021
- Lifelong recreational road runner (5k to marathon), including Boston Marathon (2016). Budding interest in cross country and indoor/outdoor track events.
- Co-founded an adult running club in 2012 (Running Wild, Belleville, ON) that is still thriving today

- Board of Directors (Comox Valley Road Runners, Jan-Jun 2018; Beatty Family Charitable Foundation, 2015-present)
- Extensive volunteer work with the Comox Valley Road Runners 2016-2018 (run leader for annual Learn to Run clinic, regular speaker and workshop presenter, race setup/teardown, filled in for “Tuesday track” coach, wrote complimentary training plans for their annual half marathon, organized their inaugural beer mile) and Manitoba Runners’ Association (coached road runners in outdoor track workouts, regular contributor to their quarterly newsletter, “On the Run”)
- Looking to attract more people (particularly women) into masters running by reducing/removing barriers, perceived or otherwise.

### Pete Dehal (British Columbia) –

- Active with Ocean Athletics Track and Field Club, Surrey, BC, for the past seven years, including member of the Board for the past three years.
- Assisted in hosting 2018 CMA Outdoor Track and Field Championships, plus other events and Championships hosted by Ocean Athletics.
- Ran Cross Country in High School; competed in Rugby in College; lifelong recreational athlete in numerous sports, including recently competing in Masters Cross Country races.
- Coach with Ocean Athletics Track and Field for seven years; registered under National Coaching Certificate Program; soccer coach for four years.
- Education - Bachelor of Arts, Administrative and Commercial Studies, University of Western Ontario (1995); bring financial and administrative aptitude to CMA Board.
- Past 25 years with the Federal Public Service; currently holding a management role in the Western Region; position has provided opportunity to travel and visit cities across Canada.
- Previously volunteered with the YMCA as a basketball coach and as a board member for the Surrey Association for Early Childhood Education.
- Throughout my career and personal life, I have acquired several skills, including: teaching, training and learning investigative and analytical skills, project planning, intelligence analysis, investigative interviewing, critical thinking and logical analysis.
- Recently joined the BC Athletics Masters Committee.
- Currently participating on the CMA Coaching Committee and overseeing the CMA Honors and Awards.
- **My aims in continuing to be on the CMA Board are to assist athletics in promoting the mental and physical health of all ages; and to further develop athletics both locally and nationally, including recruiting more members, with a special focus on road runners.**

### Nanci Patten (Ontario) –

- **Education:** University of Toronto, Honours BA plus a 3-year degree from Sheridan College. Varsity teams: Volleyball, Ice Hockey and Cross-Country.
- **Career:** 1981 - 2014 (retired): Professional management positions at Carlton Cards; Manager, Pixart Studios; Managing Director, Bond of Canada; Account Executive, Ford of Canada; Owned and operated an interior design company during the 1980s; Computer literate, with strong Office, Photoshop and Acrobat PDF software skills.
- **Open Athletics:** Starting at age 5, a life-long athlete competing in figure skating, badminton and 5m diving, cross-country, road running (5k to half marathon), racewalking (1,500m - 20k). Was a certified swimming, sailing and canoeing instructor. Member of 2 World Cup racewalking teams.
- **Masters Athletics:** race walking (1,500m - 20k), 300m hurdles, cross-country, steeplechase and road and track running. Since 1981, competed in “multiple” Ontario, Canadian, 5 EMA, 13 USATF, 5 German, 5 Bavarian, 2 Austrian, 2 NCCMA and 12 WMA championships (road, track and indoors); placed 1st in W50 New York Mile.
- Three-time master athlete of the year for Mississauga and twice OMA master athlete of the year. Inducted into the Ontario and Canadian Masters Athletics Halls of Fame.
- Have managed to set several Canadian, Ontario and Bavarian age-group records over the years. Some have been broken, some still stand.
- **Personal Interests:** Biking and hiking throughout Europe to visit historical sites and art galleries. Achieved a level B1 in German, and thus enjoy tutoring German high school students in English via zoom. I most enjoy lake swimming, hiking and reading (book club member).
- **Goal:** In the 1970's I was on the CMA board for a year but had to give that up due to my work and family obligations. In 2020, after 6 years of living in Germany, I found myself living back in Ontario with some time.

I would like to offer whichever applicable skills and time I have to the CMA, to assist with the various track and field opportunities and competitions that they offer for our Canadian Masters Athletes.

### **Susan Stone (Ontario) –**

- **Education/Professional:** BScKin (Waterloo) and BEd (Queens). Retired Secondary School teacher (Physical Education and Science-Biology); Spent my teaching career involved in organizing and coaching extracurricular events. Worked as league convenor and/or coaching multiple sports (cross country, track & field, basketball, badminton, cricket, ultimate frisbee, volleyball and ice hockey ); coached several teams to OFSSA (cross country and basketball); worked with athletes and their teachers to optimize the student academic experience; awarded a lifetime achievement award from TSWAA (Athletic Association).
- **Open Athletics:** Represented Canada frequently during 1980s, including: Pan Am Games 1985 (10,000m); World Championships 1987 (marathon); World Championships 1989 (Cross Country); and Hiroshima Eikiden (Team Canada). Invited runner in many road races in the U.S and internationally: Toronto marathon (1<sup>st</sup>); Boston Marathon (8<sup>th</sup>); New York Marathon (13<sup>th</sup>); Chicago Marathon (13<sup>th</sup>); London Marathon (10<sup>th</sup>); Osaka Marathon (7<sup>th</sup>); Duluth Marathon (1<sup>st</sup>); and Marine Corps Marathon (3<sup>rd</sup>); as well as many shorter iconic road races across the USA; also competed as a Varsity level Nordic skier.
- **Masters Athletics:** Competing as a Masters Athlete since 2017; Several Provincial events: OMA Cross Country Championships; OMA Outdoor Championships; and International events: WMA 2018 Outdoor Championships, Malaga; WMA 2019 Indoor Championships, Poland (silver medal, ½ marathon team event). Achieved at least top 20 World ranking in ½ marathon, 10km, 5000m and 3000m races between 2017 and 2019.
- **Volunteer:** Currently Vice-President of the Board of Directors for Longboat Roadrunners, one of the longest-running and most successful running Clubs in Toronto. Volunteer at numerous Toronto road races.
- **Organization:** Volunteer Coordinator for both NCCMA 2019, which took place, and WMA 2020 in Toronto, until it was cancelled in March, 2020; Responsible for recruiting, training and organization of all volunteers for these international events. Much of the organizing had been done before the 2020 event was cancelled.
- **Event Management:** Founder and Event Director for the Barton Trail Parkrun; started this parkrun during COVID, as a free, weekly, timed 5km walk/run, northeast of Toronto; part of an International parkrun movement that has over 2,000 events worldwide, including 46 in Canada [www.parkrun.ca/bartontrail/](http://www.parkrun.ca/bartontrail/); allowed me to introduce a free event to my community; people of all ages and abilities participate in this extremely inspiring and transformative weekly event.
- **Personal Goals:** To become involved with CMA as a volunteer to give back to the sport that has been such a rich source of enjoyment for me since my 20s. I would like to bring attention to the many Masters athletes who are changing our perception of aging and activity. **My strong event management and people skills can help CMA in the organization of Road Races and Cross Country (Non-Stadia).**

## Candidates for Election as Officers:

### Vern Christensen (Ontario) (Candidate for election as President and Vice-President, Non-Stadia)–

- Chartered Public Accountant, Senior Vice-President/Secretary of public investment management company; bringing my legal and financial work experience to the CMA.
- Active in Masters running for over 29 years; favourites are Cross Country and Steeplechase (not many in my age group, so I manage to hold several age group records).
- On CMAA/CMA Executive/Board since 1998; Vice-President/Secretary for 13 years until 2021; President since 2021; wish to promote the CMA as an independent national masters organization.
- CMA Vice-President, Stadia last 4 years; Working with several local organizing groups, promoted the holding of Championships across the country, in BC, AB, QC and NB (finally in 2022), and now working on 2022 in SK; hoping to find a qualified replacement for this Officer position; also assisted with organization of several CMA Non-Stadia events (Road and cross Country) for several years.
- Responsible for all arrangements for all CMA Board and Annual Members Meetings.
- Competed in many WMA Championships: 13 Outdoor (every one since Buffalo in 1995) and five Indoor.
- Race Director for local 5K competitive/charitable race in Toronto for 8 years.
- Serve often as Canadian delegate to World/Regional General Assemblies; on WMA Law and Legislation Committee, worked on re-incorporation of WMA in current jurisdiction.
- Serve often as Team Canada Manager for WMA/NCCMA Outdoor and Indoor Championships.
- Instrumental in original incorporation of CMA and conversion from old CMAA association.
- Vice-President, Non-Stadia of NCCMA since 2012; responsible for non-stadia in Costa Rica and Toronto.
- Candidate for CMA Vice-President, Non-Stadia this year; goal is to continue to build CMA Road Race and Cross Country events.

### Dala Bortolussi (Quebec) (Candidate for election as Secretary) – See information above.

### Wendy Melvin (Ontario) (Candidate for election as Treasurer) –

#### **CURRENT:**

- **CMA** – Member of the Board and Treasurer – elected in 2020.
- CMA Team Manager for WMA Championships in Tampere, Finland.
- **PROFESSIONAL** - Chief Operating Officer for International Group of Start Up Companies in Canada, Europe and USA.
- **EDUCATION** – Enrolled in the Wharton Human Resources (CHRO) Program.

#### **PAST:**

- **CMA** - Joined Masters Track and Field in 2013 and have competed in 60M and 100M, AO, CMA and WMA Championships.
- Canada Team Manager for WMA Budapest, Hungary and Torun, Poland and NCCMA Toronto, including Country Representative at daily WMA Global Manager Meetings.
- **PROFESSIONAL** - experience within all corporate functional roles, specifically focused on HR and Retail Operations.
- **EDUCATION** - Rotman School of Management CHRP, ELHRP, SME Board Governance
- **BOARD PARTICIPATION** - Rotman School of Business; HR Curriculum Planning Committee; Canadian Children's Opera Company; Association of Registered Interior Designers Organization; UNHCR and United Nations advocacy to protect refugees of war, 2014 – 2015; and House of Commons Award for Community Leadership, advocating on a National platform.



This Ballot is the standard format provided by the Board of Directors of the CMA, in accordance with the CMA By-Laws, for use at the Annual Meeting of Members of the CMA, being held on March 26, 2022. This Ballot may be used by Members to vote **in the election for a maximum of four Directors**, and in the election of Officers, which votes will take place at the Meeting, or its adjournment. In order to be used, **this ballot must be signed**, unless provided via “Trackie”. Attachment “B” contains the names and information about each of the candidates for the elections as Directors and Elected Officers, who were known when the Notice was prepared.

**The undersigned Member of the CMA hereby wishes to vote as follows:**

**Election of Directors** (You may vote for a maximum of 4 Directors):

<b><u>Names of Candidates</u></b>	<b><u>Vote For</u></b>
Dala Bortolussi	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carolyn Coffin	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pete Dehal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nanci Patten	<input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Stone	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Election of Officers:**

<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Names of Candidates</u></b>	<b><u>Vote For</u></b>
President	Vern Christensen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice-President, Non-Stadia	Vern Christensen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secretary	Dala Bortolussi	<input type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer	Wendy Melvin	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Member’s Athletics Canada  
Membership Number

**Notes:**

**1) Each Member may vote for a maximum of four Director candidates, and for each of the Officer candidates, by placing a mark in the boxes opposite the names of the desired candidates. This Ballot will not be voted with regard to a specific candidate, if: a) a vote is not indicated for that candidate; b) a Member’s vote is not clear with regard to that specific candidate; c) a candidate withdraws before the Ballot is used; or d) **more than 4 choices are indicated for Director candidates, in which case none of the choices for Director candidates will be voted.****

**2) The Ballot will be used only if it is received before 11:59 pm on March 24, 2022, at: **Annual Meeting Ballot, c/o Vern Christensen, 73 Pine Crescent, Toronto, ON M4E 1L3; or by scanned email to [CMA@canadianmasters.ca](mailto:CMA@canadianmasters.ca); or to fax number (416) 364-2067.****

**3) The form of online ballot provided on “Trackie” may be used in substitution for this ballot, by 11:59 pm on March 24, 2022, at the following link: [www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting](http://www.trackiereg.com/2022-CMAAnnualMeeting).**