

Warwickshire County Athletics Association

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ASSOCIATION MATTERS

- There are no General Meetings scheduled for 2009
- The 2009 AGM will be on Wednesday 25th November at the Coventry Godiva Clubhouse, commencing at 19.30.
- The next Officers' meeting is on Wednesday October 21st.

1. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2009

The week seems empty after watching a wonderful Championship for the past 9 days. The coverage made it easy to watch and there were some heartening performances by the British team. Godiva's Marlon Devonish added to his medal haul after an excellent bend and changeover.

2. INTER-COUNTIES YOUNGER AGE GROUPS

Now is your chance to support the Warwickshire athletes of the future. For many years we have sent teams to the Inter-Counties match and have been very successful, but this year Warwickshire are hosting the event at Nuneaton on Saturday 12th September. Come along and support our young athletes for the final track and field match of the County season. Field events start at 12 noon and the track at 12.30, with the final event scheduled for 16.35

3. COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2010

2010 County Championship Events:

Cross-country, Newbold Comyn, Leamington Spa Saturday 9th January University of Warwick Business Park. Saturday 6th March Track and Field, Alexander Stadium, Birmingham (combined with Leicestershire)

Saturday/Sunday 08/09 May.

4. ENGLISH SCHOOLS

Congratulations to Naomi Richardson of Coventry Godiva on her silver medal in the Junior Girls 800m in 2:14.66 and apologies for missing her in the last edition of The Bear.

5. COACHING COURSES.

There are a variety of courses in the area over the next 6 weeks:

Level 3 29/30 August, Jumps (High) Alexander Stadium, Birmingham.

Level 1 13 September Stratford High School.

Level 2 10 October Endurance and Jumps Alexander Stadium, Birmingham

Level 2 11 October Sprints Alexander Stadium, Birmingham

Further details are on the England Athletics website.

6. OFFICIALS

There is a level 2 Officials Course on Saturday, September 26th at the Alexander Stadium, Birmingham. There is also a Health and Safety Course at 10.00 and a Photo Finish update at 12.00. Costs are £10.00 for the first and £15 for the second. The contact is Morag Ford on 07920 532558.

7. 2009 WCAA ROAD RACE CHAMPIONSHIP FIXTURES

The final County Championship race on the road will be the Nuneaton 10 miles on Sunday 13th September.

8. AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS.

Three different bodies wanted your vote for your favorite athlete, coach, official, volunteer and other categories.

The CSW (Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire) Sport Partnership vote closed on 31st July 2009. The awards will be made at the Ricoh Arena (Coventry City) on October 15th. The England Athletics Midlands Region Awards entries closed on 1st August and will be presented at Villa Park on 25th September 2009.

Winners from this ceremony may be put forward for the England Athletics Awards which will also be presented at Villa Park on 10th October.

On the England Athletics website you can vote for up to 3 athletes to be inducted in to the Hall of Fame.

9. SOME FURTHER DATES FOR YOUR 2009 DIARY.

Coventry Godiva Autumnal 5 miles Memorial Park 7pm start.

Nuneaton 10 miles County Championship.

Hatton 5 miles multi terrain jeremy@easthaugh.com

4th September 13th September 27th September 4th October Kenilworth half marathon

8th November Rugby and Northampton A C 10 miles Draycote Reservoir, Rugby

10. WCAA CONSTITUTION - IMPORTANT

The Officers of the Association have posted a draft version of a new Association Constitution on the County web site. Go to www.WarwickshireCounty.co.uk and click on "Officers". The new document takes into account the new role of the County as a competition provider following the two major reorganisations of the governing bodies in recent years. Please look at the document carefully and send your comments by the end of October at the latest to the Chairman at Ray.Morgan1@btinternet.com

We have a wide distribution but we cannot reach everybody. So, please copy, distribute and display in your Club.

Keep following 'THE BEAR'.

www.WarwickshireCountyAA.co.uk