



# 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 25<sup>th</sup> November.
- The next Officers' meeting is on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August.

### 1. INTER-COUNTIES TRACK AND FIELD 2009

The event was held at Bedford in reasonable weather, but was poorly attended by Warwickshire athletes: only 4 men took part. The men's and women's teams finished 9th in their respective groups, with the highlight being a win in the 3,000 metres walk for Godiva's Brendan Boyce.

It is disappointing that after staging County Track and Field and Cross-Country Championships with lots of competitors that only 4 men were willing to represent the County at Bedford.

### 2. COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2009/10

2010 County Championship Events:

Cross-country, Newbold Comyn, Leamington Spa  
Road Walks, University of Warwick Business Park.  
Track and Field, Alexander Stadium, Birmingham (combined with Leicestershire)

### 3. COACHING COURSES.

There are a variety of courses in the area over the next 7 weeks:

Leadership in Running Fitness, Stratford High School, 9<sup>th</sup> August.

Level 1 22 August, Alexander Stadium, Perry Barr.

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

Level 1 13 September Stratford High School.

Further details are on the England Athletics website.

### 4. INTER COUNTY TRACK and FIELD MATCH

Nuneaton Harriers play hosts (on behalf of the County) for the U13/U15 Inter County match on Saturday September 12th. If you want to be considered for the team you should make John Nash (the Team Manager) aware on 01926 421563 or johnnash@email.com and keep him informed of your progress.

## 5. 2009 WCAA ROAD RACE CHAMPIONSHIP FIXTURES

The Birmingham Rowheath AC Midsummer 5km Series on 9th July incorporated the County 5km Champs

1st SM Scott Hazell Coventry Godiva 16:08  
2nd SM and 1st M35 Dean Parker Bournville Harriers 16:21  
3rd SM Kevin Woodward Bournville Harriers 16:57

1st SF and 1st F35 Mel James Bournville Harriers 18:13  
2nd SF Sophie Williams Birchfield Harriers 18:16  
3rd SF Rebecca Smith Northbrook AC 18:59

1st MU20 Joshua Fullard Lyndon Sch. (Olton) 17:15  
1st M45 Paul Davies Centurion RC 18:09  
1st M55 Paul Archer Birmingham Rowheath 22:08  
1st M65 John Turner Stratford Upon Avon 20:50

1st FU20 Grace Healey Centurion RC 21:59  
1st F45 Theresa Woolley Centurion RC 20:22  
1st F55 Marilyn Maidment Centurion RC 22:43

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

## 6. VOTE, VOTE, VOTE.

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

The CSW (Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire) Sport Partnership vote closes on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2009. The awards will be made at the Ricoh Arena (Coventry City) on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The England Athletics Midlands Region Awards entries close on 1<sup>st</sup> August and will be presented at Villa Park on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2009.

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

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

Visit the websites and vote.

## 7. DEVELOPMENT FORUMS

The CSW Forum's bid for money from England Athletics has been rejected. The reason given was that the panel did not think the CSW clubs were working closely enough together. More feedback on this at the next Forum meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> October.

## 8. SOME FURTHER DATES FOR YOUR 2009 DIARY.

4 <sup>th</sup> September	Coventry Godiva Autumnal 5 miles Memorial Park 7pm start.
27 <sup>th</sup> September	Hatton 5 miles multi terrain <a href="mailto:jeremy@easthaugh.com">jeremy@easthaugh.com</a>
4 <sup>th</sup> October	Kenilworth half marathon
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Rugby and Northampton A C 10 miles Draycote Reservoir.

9. STEWART BARNES

Stewart, the County Treasurer, has been elected to serve as Chairman of the West Midlands Regional Council. He will also have a seat on the England Council.

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](http://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](mailto:Ray.Morgan1@btinternet.com)

11. STOP PRESS... STOP PRESS

In the English Schools, Jack Gray was 3rd in the 3,000 metres with 8.41.91, Michael McKeown was first in the 1,500 m with 4.07.12. Both did pb's and were excellent performances. Zoey Phillips came second in the High Jump with 1.69m. Rowena Cole of Godiva was 3rd in the World Youth Games 800 metres in 2.03.83, an improvement of 2.6 seconds.

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

**Keep following 'THE BEAR'.**

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