



Warwickshire County Athletics Association

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A mixed bag to round off the Summer and begin looking at the Autumn/Winter

1 England Athletics Affiliation

This County Association, as stressed so often, stands for teamwork and supporting one another. With a new structure for the Sport the Association affiliated to the Region and national body as from April 2007 and we know that most of our Clubs followed suit. The Officers hope for 100% support and encourage the few outstanding to do likewise.

2 WCAA does not pay tax on it's income – do you?

Does your Club pay tax on its income e.g. on interest earned by bank accounts? If so then you may be able to make savings by registering as a Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC). A CASC is a Club which is open to the whole community and which uses any income or profits to benefit the Club or the community rather than individual members. Such clubs don't pay tax on income. Every club affiliated to WCAA is almost certainly a CASC but you might have to make small changes to your constitution to qualify properly. For more information go to www.hmrc.gov.uk/casc

3 Financial Year - Expenses

The Association's financial year ends on 30th September. Therefore anyone making a claim for expenses must do so to STEWART BARNES, TREASURER at 80 School Lane, Kenilworth, CV8 2GR (tel: 01926- 512810) before the end of this month.

4 County Meetings

The next County General Meeting will be on Wednesday 26th September at the Pingles Track, Nuneaton at 7.30p.m.

The 2007 Annual General Meeting will be on Wednesday 28th November at the Coventry Godiva Harriers H.Q. at 7.30p.m. Notification of proposed Constitution Changes or nominations for Posts within the Association should reach the Secretary, Stewart Harris at 42 Orson Leys, Rugby, CV22 5RF (tel: 01788 811871) by 31st October 2007

As indicated in Issue 05, Stewart Harris intends to stand down as Association Secretary and the Officers are seeking a replacement to sustain our activities.

5 Bob (Bobby) REID

Those associated with Athletics over many years may recall Bob, a Birchfield luminary, who died in July aged 87 years. An outstanding distance runner, Bob was a 4 time Warwickshire and a 3 time Midlands Cross Country Champion. For 20 years or so he was the Club's team manager. Our thoughts are with Bobby's family.

6 Officials

Has your Club struggled for Starters, Timekeepers, Track and Field Judges over the Summer months? Time to do something positive!...

LEVEL 2 COURSES, ALL DISCIPLINES, SUNDAY 4th NOVEMBER (10.00 a.m.)
EXHALL GRANGE SCHOOL, COVENTRY
CONTACT MARGERY EWINGTON 02476 314990
Flyer and application form attached but details are also on the County web site.

7 Do you have any good athletes in school year 8?

The Assessments for the County Athletics Performance Squad will take place on Sunday 28th October 2007 for school year 8 athletes (as of September 2007). Please help ensure that all Club Coaches, Schools and Athletics Clubs are aware of these trials so that we leave no talent undiscovered in Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire.

Dave Boughey has already distributed application forms to Clubs but if you need one then contact him directly at : dave@cswsport.org.uk You will need to apply by 15th October. No **late entries.**

8 Results – Inter Counties U13/U15 match

Yet again congratulations go to John Nash, Becky Freeman and our U13/U15 Young Athletes who were the overall winners of the Inter Counties match at Cudworth, South Yorkshire on 8th September.

Despite the fixture coming at the end of a long, hard season of competition, the youngsters continued to improve and produced 26 new individual best performances. As usual, the competition was intense and for much of the day the overall Team result was in doubt. Eventually, however, the strength in depth of the Warwickshire side took its toll and they won the Team trophy by a convincing margin (now held for the 5th consecutive year and the 8th time from our 9 participating seasons).

Overall, the Team gained 24 wins (too many to list here), 21 runners up spots and 10 third places over the 74 events. They won 3 of the 4 Age Group sections and collected 4 of the 8 individual 'best performance' awards.

Individual results will be listed on the County web site

9 Results – Nuneaton 10, including the County 10 mile Championship

On Sunday 9th September, Nuneaton Harriers hosted their 10 mile race and the final County Championship for this year at Wolvey. Thank you to all of the year's promoters.

The WCAA medalists at Wolvey were:-

Men	Gold Gary Payne (GES)	56.37 and M50 winner
	Silver Renee Virgo (SSH)	58.28
	Bronze Mick O'Shera (Nbrook)	59.09 and M40 winner
Women	M60 Gold Graham Lawrence (SSH)	66.10
	Gold Monica Williamson (Leam)	65.08 and W45 winner
	Silver Anne-Marie Smith (CovG)	65.47
	Bronze Linda McDonald (CovG)	71.41
	W35 Gold Mary Williams (Cent)	75.12
	W5 Gold Marilyn Maidment (Cent)	76.53

10 2008 Promotions Programme.

Saturday 5th January. The Warwickshire Cross Country Championships at Burbage Common promoted by Nuneaton Harriers. The event will be combined with the Leicestershire and Rutland Championships. Prospectus and Entry Forms will be available by mid October.

Saturday 15th March 2008. The CAU Inter Counties Cross Country Championships. At Nottingham.

Warwickshire will not be promoting an Open Relay event in 2008.

Saturday/Sunday 10th/11th May 2008. The Warwickshire Track and Field Championships at Saffron Lane, Leicester. The event will be combined with the Leicestershire and Rutland and Northamptonshire Championships as in 2007.

Sunday/Monday 25th/26th May 2008. The CAU Inter Counties Senior Track and Field Championships at Bedford.

The Warwickshire C.A.A. Road Championships in 2008 will be held in conjunction with the following races (subject to confirmation with the promoters):-

Stratford Half Marathon (April)

Northbrook 10k (June – also includes the Inter Counties 10k Championship)

Coventry Godiva 5 miles (June)

Birmingham Rowheath 10k (July)

Rugby 10 miles (October)

Awards will be Gold, Silver and Bronze for the Senior Men and Senior Women and Gold to the winners of the U20 men and women at 5k, 5miles and 10k. Masters/Veterans awards will go to the winners of the M35 M45, M55M65, w35, w45 and W55 age groups.

11 Keeping in touch

The County does its best to keep in touch with the clubs via the County “Bear”. It is always good to hear from the Clubs too. If you have a club newsletter or magazines please send a copy to the County Secretary (Stewart Harris) and/or County Chairman (Ray Morgan).

Keep up to date via the “Bear”

Please copy, distribute, display in your Club

and keep following ‘THE BEAR’

www.warwickshirecountyaa.co.uk

WARWICKSHIRE C.A.A.

Notice is given of the next
GENERAL MEETING
which will be held at
the PINGLES TRACK, NUNEATON
on WEDNESDAY 26th SEPTEMBER at 7.30 p.m.

Notice is given of the 2007
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Of the Association which will be held at
the COVENTRY GODIVA HARRIERS H.Q.
on WEDNESDAY 28th NOVEMBER at 7.30 p.m.

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nominations for Posts within the Association should reach
the Secretary at the address below by 31st October.

Stewart Harris
Hon Secretary WCAA
42 Orson Leys, Rugby, CV22 5RF
tel: 01788 811871

Warwickshire County Athletics
Association is organising UKA Level 2
courses for anyone interested in
becoming a qualified Technical Official

Courses will be held at
Exhall Grange School
& Science College
Wheelwright lane
Ash green
Coventry CV7 9HP

On

Sunday 4 November 2007

Starting at 10.00am

The disciplines covered will be:-

Track Judge

Field Judge

Timekeeping

Starter & Marksman

Only one discipline can be covered during the
day so you must choose which one you prefer.

You do not need to have attended a Level 1
course but you do need to have some experience
of helping at a Track and Field meeting and
decide which discipline you would like to know
in more detail.

For further information contact
Margery Ewington tel no. 02476 314990.
Email: barry.ewington@btinternet.com

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UKA Level 2 Officials' Course

Application Form

At Exhall Grange School Sunday 4 November 2007 Starting at 10.00am
& Science College
Wheelwright Lane
Ash Green
Coventry
CV7 9HP

I would like to attend the course for:-

Track Judge

Field Judge

Timekeeper

Starter/Marksman

Please circle your choice

Please print

Name:

Address:

Contact telephone number:

Email address:

The course is free of charge to members of a club. The cost is covered by the West Midlands Region
A current UKA Rule Book is not essential for the course but it is very useful to have your own copy. Please read the
information on MAFEO, the Midlands Association for Officials.

Please reply to Margery Ewington, 16 Hemsworth Drive, Bulkington, Bedworth, Warks. CV12 9PE or email
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