

SUMMARY OF CMAA EXECUTIVE MEETING

-----October 9, 2003-----

Membership

Currently 600 members, 435 in Ontario, with 95 new for 2003, 66 of them in Ontario.

Communications

MASTERpiece #127 was mailed the third week of September and included a number of results and photos from Puerto Rico and Richmond. It is planned to get the next issue out in time to reach our membership before Christmas.

Insurance

A meeting was held with the Insurance Agents for CMAA and OMTFA to ensure there are no cracks in our coverage and any action required (if any is necessary) will be taken.

Ontario Directors Report

Doug reported on the upcoming 8K and 5K Cross Country as well as advising three indoor mini-meets would be hosted at York on January 18, February 1 and 22 with the annual indoor meet at York on March 6.

Records

A one-page list of Indoor records, including Boston, Edmonton, Regina, Saskatoon and Toronto was approved plus four racewalk records - two indoor and two road. No new records for Outdoor Track & Field, Road Races or Throws for approval at this time.

Product Sales

Ann Marie reported the current inventory amounted to \$1,886.00.

Non-Stadia

Richard reported on the 10K Road Race Championships in Fredericton, NB on September 28th. Preparations for the National Cross Country Championship on November 29 continue on schedule.

Stadia

The interclub will be hosted by the OMTFA in future with the name changed to 'Club Championship' or something similar and the format will be changed. Only Quebec has shown any interest in hosting the next CMAA Indoor Championship, but nothing concrete has been received from them as yet.

WMA/NCCWMA

Results Books have been produced for Puerto Rico and should be received soon. Brian Keaveney will be the Team Captain in Sindelfingen and all enquiries or entries for that meet should be directed to him. Nothing new to report on Dorado, Puerto Rico site of our next WMA Regional Championship.

Other Business

A writeup and photograph about masters events should appear in the next issue of 'Running Room' magazine.

President's Message

Our usual series of cross-country races brought the season to a close once again although for the most part, we were not blessed with the same great weather conditions as last year. The two major events were the CanAm in Seattle and the Canadian National Cross-Country Championship in Toronto.

The National Cross-Country Championship attracted the largest entry ever -228. About 211 started the race and 209 crossed the finish line. While you don't expect sunshine and relatively dry ground at this time of year, let us say the conditions on race day were very challenging. Additional comments and the results appear elsewhere in this issue.

The 4th Annual Don Farquharson Harriers Relay Championship was held under much better weather conditions.

Although still well supported, there were nine less individual runners and five less teams compared to 2002. Once again, Eileen Farquharson was our official starter and our thanks to Brooks (and Scott Hopkins in particular) for the prizes donated for the winning teams and individuals.

The next WMA events are the first world Indoor Championships in Sindelfingen, Germany on March 10-14, 2004 and the Non-Stadia Championships in New Zealand on April 14-24, 2004. Information on these two events appears elsewhere in this issue and if you are seriously interested in competing in either one, please contact Brian Keaveney.

In Canada in 2004, our marathon and half marathon championship will again be hosted as part of the National Capital Marathon weekend in Ottawa in May. The Outdoor Track & Field Championship is in Calgary the weekend of July 17/18 and once more we suggest that any of our members who plan to participate in either of these championships take a look at the web site www.2004canadianmasters.com You should make your accommodation reservations early as both the 'Calgary Stampede' and 'Klondike Days' take place immediately before and after these championships.