

USATF Masters T&F Awards Sub Committee 2018 Annual Report

Chair: Rachel Guest

1. Awards Subcommittee Activities for 2018

- Development of an online website to improve the accuracy of athlete performance data and to reduce the work to compile data. The website is a partnership with mastersrankings.com.
- Redesign of awards given for the 2017 awardees. In addition to a new plaque design, the recipients also received redesigned pins, redesigned awardee booklet and spike bags. All items have the current USATF Masters logo.
- Redesign of awards program. 2018 program has potential of 46 awardees compared to 35 for 2017. The new program has been implemented for 2018 and is as follows:
 - Every 5-year age group will have 1 Male and 1 Female Athlete of the Year
 - 1 Male and 1 Female (regardless of age group) will be selected as an event group Athlete of the Year. Categories are Overall Athlete, Sprint/Hurdles, Middle Distance, Distance, Racewalk, Jumps, Throws and Combined Events
 - To be eligible for an award an athlete must compete in 2 major championships during the competition year. This can be any combination of Indoor Nationals, Outdoor Nationals, WMA World Championships, NCCWMA Regionals, and USATF Association or Regional Championships.
 - Performance factors that will be considered in the selection process: Age Grading, National Championship medals, World/NCCWMA Championship medals, American Records, and World Records

2. Awards Subcommittee Budget Breakdown

- Amount spent on direct Subcommittee endeavors: \$4091.56
 - Plaques and Pins: \$1,749.74
 - Drawstring Spike Bags: \$341.82
 - Web Design: \$2000.00
- Amount spent on attending Executive Committee meetings: \$1567.80
- Out of Pocket expenses to attend 2017 Annual Meeting: \$876.04

3. 2019 plans for Awards Subcommittee

- Continue efforts to create a fully functioning webpage for all committee nomination and voting tasks
- Design a higher quality spike bag for award recipients. 2018 bags did not meet expectations of committee chair.
- Continue with new design of awards but tailor them to fit the new awards program
- Utilize online vehicles to promote the program and increase awareness of program

4. 2018/19 Awards Subcommittee Members:

- Sub-Committee Chair: Rachel Guest
- Members: Jerry Bookin-Weiner, Mark Cleary, Christel Donley, Antwon Dussett, Rex Harvey, Myrle Mensey, William Murray, Ron Pate, Danelle Readinger, Erin Talcott-Taylor, Robert Thomas, Mary Trotto, Ruth Welding, Robert Weiner, Mark Williams

Awards Sub-Committee members. At the close of this year there may be a few changes. I will send an updated list once it is determined if everyone will continue on the committee for 2019.

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