

Masters Mid America Region Report 2018

Colorado: Colorado sponsored both Indoor and Outdoor Masters championships. The indoor meet was held at the United States Air Force Academy in February, and the Outdoor meet was held at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, CO. (pole vault competition was held in LaFayette, CO.) Both meets were well attended - 125-150 competitors. There were several other meets in which masters competed: the State Games, Senior games, various youth meets and a series of all comers meets in Boulder.

Iowa: Iowa had an active masters schedule, holding both indoor and outdoor championships, and appears well organized for the 2019 national championship in Ames, Iowa. Iowa also had masters events for its State Games and Senior Games. It has a designated Masters Chair who attends the Regional meetings at the National Convention. It advertises its meets and posts results.

Nebraska: Nebraska held both a Senior Games and State Games. It has no contact with the Region, and as far as we know it did not hold either an Indoor or Outdoor Masters Championship. It has no formally appointed Masters Chair.

Dakotas: We have had no contact with or responses from any representative of the Dakotas Association. It did not hold either an Indoor or Outdoor Championship for Masters and it has not designated any one as its Masters Chair person.

Minnesota: Minnesota had a very active Masters schedule, holding both an Indoor and Outdoor Masters Championship and a number of meets, indoor and outdoor, for all ages and in which Masters competed. It has a Masters Chair, Craig Yotter, who has attended and participated in National Convention regional meetings. It posts results promptly, and posts notices of its meets on a local, region and national basis.

Missouri Valley: Missouri Valley has an active Masters program, mainly in cooperation with Wichita State University through the promotion of the Shocker Track and Field Club and Larry Staton. It does not appear that there is good cooperation between that group and the Missouri Valley Association, but, there are a number of meets in which Masters can compete. We have regularly competed in meets, weather permitting. La Donna Gooden attended the convention and Mid America Region meeting, she is also an elite Masters athlete.

Ozark: Ozark has meets, primarily Youth, in which Masters can compete. We are unaware of any formal Indoor or Outdoor championship meets for Masters. *It has a Masters Chair and someone usually attends the Nation Convention.*

Since we have given up the position, Jim Weed was appointed. He will be at the convention. We will, of course, help out as much as possible, to make the transition easy!

The Colorado Masters Track and Field Club is very active, has a small but very experienced core of administrators and athletes.

We do plan on an Indoor meet, still finding the best and most reasonable venue (If there is such a thing!) The Air Force Academy is ideal, but almost not financially possible.

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