

**USATF Masters T&F
Awards Sub Committee 2020 Annual Report
Chair: Rachel Guest**

1. Awards Subcommittee Activities for 2020

- Continued 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.
- On October 17, 2020 a virtual awards ceremony was conducted via Zoom. All award winners received their awards via mail. The ceremony presentation was made available on usatfmasters.org
- In addition to a plaque, lapel pin, awardee booklet, and Nike spike bag, a metal water bottle was added to the items award winners receive. All items have the current USATF Masters logo.
- 46 individuals were recognized. The breakdown of awards are as follows:
 - i. Age Group Athletes of the Year – 28
 - ii. Event Group Athlete of the Year – 15
 - iii. Over Athlete of the Year – 2
 - iv. David Pain Award – 1
- The criteria for the Age Group, Event Group and Overall Athlete of the Year are 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. (The Awards committee partners with the Throws committee and the Combined Events committee for the selection of the male/female athletes for these two categories)

-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: \$1,886.37
 - Plaques: \$1,138.31
 - Shipping for awards: \$505.20
 - Awards Banquet programs: \$242.86
- Amount spent on attending Executive Committee meetings: \$0.00
- Out of Pocket expenses to attend 2019 Annual Meeting: \$110.00

3. 2020 plans for Awards Subcommittee

- Continue efforts to create a fully functioning webpage for all committee nomination/voting tasks.
- Create new design for awards to keep the look fresh for the athletes year over year.
- Utilize online vehicles to promote the program and increase awareness of program.
- Create an athlete focused event to acknowledge all athletes and the impacts experienced in 2020 to the competition season.

4. 2020/21 Awards Subcommittee Members:

- Sub-Committee Chair: Rachel Guest
- Members: Jerry Bookin-Weiner, Mark Cleary, Christel Donley, Myrle Mensey, William Murray, Ron Pate, Danelle Readinger, Robert Thomas, Mary Trotto, Ruth Welding, Robert Weiner, Mark Williams, Christy Borders, Tina Klein