

## SA Masters Athletics Inc.

### JOB DESCRIPTION - AWARDS OFFICER

#### **MAIN PURPOSE**

To ensure awards are coordinated within SAMA and that all areas of the club have similar access to these rewards.

#### **DUTIES**

Liaise with the Run, Walk and Field Coordinators and the President in planning for the appropriate awards and championships.

Maintain a record of who wins perpetual trophies each year and ensure that they are retrieved from members in time for their next presentation.

Arrange for the purchase of trophies, their engraving with the trophy title and winners name and the engraving of the 2 perpetual trophies.

Ensure enough medals are in stock for those members who wish to take them along with their performance certificates. Purchase extra as required.

#### **Medals and Certificates.**

- Arrange for Performance Certificates to be presented at each summer and winter presentation for the Club Championships. Medals can be taken if wanted.
- Collect data on all championship events from Johns Hore's Event Manager. Data collected are Event, Name, Result, Age Group, Age Grading and Position.
- Arrange the printing of certificates.

#### **SAMA Athletic Awards**

These awards are for a Calendar Year and are evaluated as early as possible in January.

- Maintain details of the best age graded performances for all scratch meets within calendar years.
- Make recommendations to a SAMA sub-committee re the nominees for the annual awards.
- **10 trophies** are presented at the summer presentation and **engraved as follows** with the year:
  - Sprint Athlete ...insert year...
  - Middle Distance Athlete ...insert year...
  - Distance Athlete ...insert year...
  - Walks Athlete ...insert year...
  - Throws Athlete ...insert year...
  - Jumps Athlete ...insert year...
  - Official ...insert year...
  - Most Outstanding Individual Performance ...insert year...
  - Most Outstanding Male Athlete ...insert year...
  - Most Outstanding Female Athlete ...insert year...
- The most outstanding male and female also receive the perpetual trophies – the Pat & Geoff Peters Trophy and the Ruth & Jack Weber Trophy
- In determining the winners of the first 5 of the above categories, the following events are considered:
  - All SAMA T & F Championship events
  - All SAMA Winter Championship events
  - All SAMA scratch events days
  - National Championships
  - Oceania Championships
  - WMA. Championships (Outdoor and Indoor)
  - Greenbelt 1/2 marathon
  - Barossa 1/2 marathon
  - Adelaide 1/2 and marathon

Times and distances are assessed for age group percentages at each of the events to determine the most outstanding athlete in each category. (For each event the best 2 age-graded performances are recorded.) Any other notable performances will also be considered.

- For the Most Outstanding Individual Performance category, this can be awarded for an individual event, for multiple successes on a single day or a single competition or for multiple successes in a particular style of event over the year.
- The last two “Most Outstanding” categories are less regimented and while they may go to an outstanding athlete in one of the above categories, they are also subject to the discretion of the committee. As age-grading within Australia favours the shorter races and older age groups, and disfavours some jumps and the throws events, it will only be part of the determination for these awards. As examples the award may go to an all-round athlete who may not excel at any one discipline or it may go to an athlete who showed particular determination and success under adverse conditions.

### **AMA Awards**

**Winners of the SAMA Awards are proposed as nominations for the annual AMA Awards.** Categories are the same. These nominations normally need to be with the President of AMA by the end of January.