

SA Masters Athletics Inc.

JOB DESCRIPTION - AWARDS OFFICER

MAIN PURPOSE

To ensure medals and other 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 the next presentation (approximately 100 summer and 70 winter). Purchase extra as required.

Medals and Certificates.

- Arrange for medals to be presented at each summer and winter presentation for the Club Championships. One medal is awarded to all participants of championship events (one for summer and one for winter).
- Collect data on all championship events from Johns Event Manager. Data collected are Event, Name, Result, Age Group, Age Grading and Position.
- Send one file of data for summer and one for winter to John Hore who will print certificates.

SAMA Athletic Awards

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

- 9 trophies are presented at the summer presentation and engraved as follows with the year:
 - Sprint Athlete of the Year
 - Run Athlete of the Year
 - Walks Athlete of the Year
 - Throws Athlete of the Year
 - Jumps Athlete of the Year
 - Official of the Year
 - Most Outstanding Individual Performance
 - Most Outstanding Male Athlete of the Year
 - Most Outstanding Female Athlete of the 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 except the Runs category is split into Middle Distance and Distance. Data collected throughout the year will need to be re-evaluated to determine either the same winner for both, 2 new winners or 1 the same and 1 new. These nominations need to be with Wilma Perkins of AMA by the end of January.

Medals, ribbons and trophies are currently purchased from
A.H. Trophies,
402 Goodwood Rd,
Cumberland Pk, ph. 8271 3742