Constitution

Name

1. The name of the Association shall be the England Masters Athletics Association, hereafter called the Association.

Objectives

2. The objectives for which the Association is established are to encourage, promote and organise masters athletics in England and as ancillary thereto:-

    a) To promote and organise or assist in organising athletics meetings, championships and events for men and women of not less than 35 years of age.
    b) To enforce rules and regulations in accordance with the British Masters Athletic Federation (BMAF) Rules for Competition.
    c) To obtain, collect and receive money and funds by way of subscriptions, contributions, donations grants or by other lawful means, in furtherance of the objectives of the Association.
    d) To award medals for appropriate achievements.
    e) To select English masters teams for such competitions requiring the selection of representative national masters' teams.

Constituent Associations and Clubs

3. a) Membership shall be restricted to Associations and Clubs based in England and which are affiliated to the BMAF.
    b) Each club shall be entitled to two representatives to vote at the Annual General Meeting.

General Meetings

4. a) The Association shall hold an Annual General Meeting at the spring meeting of the Association after the end of the Financial Year
    b) At least 60 days notice shall be given to the date of an Annual General meeting.
    c) Business and proposals which it is desired to be put before the Annual General Meeting shall be received in writing by the Honorary Secretary at least 30 days before the date of the meeting.
    d) Nominations for the election of Officers of the Association may be submitted by the committee of any England Athletics Masters Association Club and must be received in writing by the Honorary Secretary at least 30 days before the date of the meeting.

Officers

5) a) Officers of the Association shall be the Chair, Vice Chair, Honorary Secretary, Treasurer, Cross Country Secretary, Cross Country Team Managers, Road Running Secretary, Race Walking Secretary and Track and Field Secretary.
    b) The Officers must be members of a constituent Association or Club and shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall serve until the conclusion of the following Annual General Meeting.
    c) Officers shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General meeting.
    d) Where necessary and wherever possible assistants will be appointed to all key positions on the committee of England Athletics Masters Association.
    e) If a post of any Officer becomes vacant, the Officers shall have the power to appoint a person to act until the next Annual General meeting.

General Committee

6) a) There shall be a committee called the General Committee to manage the business of the Association.
   b) This committee shall consist of the Officers of the Association and a representative of each of the constituent clubs of the Association.
   c) An Officer may also be a representative of their club but does not, thereby, have two votes.
   d) At any tied vote, the Chair or Acting Chair, shall have the casting vote.

Finance

7) a) The Financial Year of the Association shall be from the 1st of January to the 31st December in the same year.
   b) The annual affiliation fees for constituent associations or clubs shall be determined for the following year at the Annual General Meeting and shall be due from the 1st June.
   c) Authority to vary the affiliation fees can be given at an Extraordinary General Meeting.
   e) The accounts of the Association shall be balanced on 31st December each year and submitted, after independent audit, to the Annual General Meeting following the audit.
   f) The auditor shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting in consultation with the treasurer.

Discipline

8) a) The Association shall observe the rules of the BMAF and any irregularities, or breaches of the BMAF Constitution shall be a matter to be referred to the BMAF for investigation and action.

Dissolution

9) a) The General Committee may decide to propose a motion to dissolve the Association and must call an Extraordinary General Meeting to determine the matter.
   b) An Extraordinary General may be called by the membership to dissolve the Association if 30 signatures, of paid up members ,from at least 3 different member clubs, is received by the Honorary Secretary.
   c) In the event of dissolution any funds remaining, after all debts have been paid, will be donated to the BMAF

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