Re: Notice to all NZMA Members - V2

Following the feedback we have received from Centres and discussions held at the recent NZMA Board Meeting, the following decisions were agreed to by the Board.

• The NZMA Board confirmed that we recommend to all NZMA members that we accept the MoU re: the sharing of membership information between Athletics NZ and NZMA. As previously advertised, this will be voted on at the Special General Meeting to be held in Auckland on 6th August 2016. Please ensure the names of your Centre delegate/s is e-mailed to NZMA prior to the meeting.

At the NZMA AGM in Dunedin (26th February 2016), it was agreed that the NZMA registration fee would remain at \$45.00, as per previous years.

However, it was also agreed that if the remit to accept the ANZ / NZMA MoU is passed at the SGM in August, then the current fee of \$45.00 will be rescinded and a new fee structure would be presented and voted on at the SGM.

At the July NZMA Board meeting an alternative NZMA Membership Fee structure for 2016- 2017 season
was established as per the table below. This will be discussed and voted on at the SGM, only if the
MoU remit is passed.

Group	NZMA Fees	ANZ Fees	
NZMA Competitive Member	*\$60.00	\$0.00	Fees retained by NZMA
NZMA Social Member	*\$45.00	\$0.00	Fees retained by NZMA
NZMA Volunteer	\$0.00	\$0.00	Fees retained by NZMA
ANZ Competitive Members	***\$0.00	\$60.00	Fees retained by ANZ
ANZ Social Members	**	\$30.00	Fees retained by ANZ

Notes:

Why set a \$0.00 fee for ANZ Club Athletes?

- This group have been forced to pay TWO fees for years, i.e. ANZ & NZMA! The intention of the MoU is to embrace all ANZ master's club athletes, who have previously NOT joined NZMA. By setting a \$0.00 NZMA fee, we are acknowledging that this group already support athletics by joining a club. It is now up to NZMA to promote what we have to offer, so that we can attract these members to participate in our event, plus OMA & WMA Championships.
- All ANZ Competitive Members will have the same privileges as members who join via NZMA, i.e. they
 can compete in our organised events as per Appendix A.

• **Please note that if you are an ANZ Social Member, you will be required to up your membership status to 'Competitive Member', if you intend to compete in NZMA, OMA or WMA organised events.

What is the future of Vetline?

- *NZMA Competitive & Social Members: Having carried out an investigation into the cost of digitally printing small quantities of Vetline, it became apparent that this method would be too expensive. As numerous members indicated a desire to retain Vetline, it was decided that receiving Vetline would remain part of the NZMA fee structure. Therefore, ALL NZMA Competitive & Social Members (i.e.) will continue to receive a paper copy of Vetline as part of your membership fees as listed above.
- ***ANZ Competitive & Social Members: Both groups will have the option to purchase a FOUR issue subscription to Vetline at a cost of \$25.00. This will be advertised via Vetline, the ANZ & NZMA websites, your local Centre membership co-ordinator and previous NZMA members will be e-mail directly with this offer.
- **Future of Vetline:** The long term continuation of Vetline will depend on it being supported, especially by ANZ club athletes. We are looking at obtaining more advertising income to help cover the production costs. If you have experience or expertise in this area, can you help?

Appendix A: Competitive Membership Options

All Competitive Members within Athletics NZ and NZMA will pay the appropriate fees / levies as determined by Athletics NZ & NZMA, plus local ANZ Centre, Master's Centre / Club fees (if applicable).

Athletics NZ Competitive Members can compete in the following events:

- Athletics NZ club, Inter-club meetings and Centre Championships,
- Athletics NZ National Track & Field Championships,
- Athletics NZ Combined Events Championships,
- Athletics NZ 3000m or 10000m Championships,
- Athletics NZ Cross Country Championships,
- Athletics NZ Road Championships,
- Athletics NZ Road Relay Championships,
- Athletics NZ Mountain Championships,
- Athletics NZ Half Marathon or Marathon Championships,
- Athletics NZ Long Distance Race Walk Championships,

plus these events organised by NZMA,

- NZMA South Island or North Island Track & Field Championships,
- NZMA National Track & Field Championships,

plus these events organised by OMA or WMA,

• Oceania Masters Athletics (OMA) or World Masters Athletics (WMA) Track & Field Championships.

NOTE: Athletics NZ Social Members will be required to pay the additional fee to become a Competitive Member if they intend to compete at either ANZ, NZMA, OMA or WMA Championship events.

NZMA Competitive Members can compete in the following events:

- Local Masters track & field events,
- North Island Masters Track & Field Championships,
- South Island Masters Track & Field Championships,
- NZMA Masters Track & Field Championships, plus
- Oceania Masters Athletics (OMA) or World Masters Athletics (WMA) Track & Field Championships.

NZMA members within this group are excluded from competing in all Athletics NZ organised Championship events.