

## **Athlete updates for SCVAC Kent Vets League. 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

It was clear at the first meeting that some messages do not reach athletes via their team managers. So please see these notes for the 2023 season.

### **Timetable**

Please note that the Timetable posted on this site is the most up to date and should be referred to.

### **Non Scoring**

There will be **NO non scoring in the long throws or field events** at any of the meetings this season, unless specifically announced on this site.

**Track Non Scoring.** There will be non scoring in all events on the track (see note below re officials). We will require your team manager to declare your non scorers 48 hrs before the event as part of the declaration system that will be sent to you by Brian Charlton. There will be NO non scoring entries taken on the night.

### **Track Officials.**

Non scoring can only take place if there are sufficient Track officials, the host club track referee will have the right to refuse non scoring in the event of too few officials. Please make every attempt to supply at least one Track official or time-keeper. If someone wants to "have a go at officiating" the officials will be delighted to introduce them to a role (perfect for an injured athlete or someone coming to the end of their competitive days)

Please contact the organisers below to inform them who you will be supplying.

### **Field Officials**

Make sure your officials are there on time to monitor the warm up for the event that your club has been allocated.

Officials in the field events are busy keeping an event moving under strict time limits due to licence rules for evening meetings.

Please do not approach them during competition to ask to see your result or ask that another athlete can be added when they finish another event. If an athlete or team manager chooses that an athlete is doing 3 events at the same time, it will be up to the participating athlete to be present for their attempt.

Officials will call rounds in card order, (there will be no requests to alter this) anyone who misses their attempt will be called again at the end of the round after which the event moves on to the next round. The attempt is forfeited if not present at that point. It is vital athletes understand the bigger picture regarding the time constraints we are under.

### **Field events Safety**

Please note officials will not instruct on how to take part in a field event. For safety please do not enter someone for a field event who has not had instruction or practice.

Norman Park Pole vault has strict requirement that only those who know what they are doing can take part. This should apply to all events for the safety of athletes.

For the 3000m and 1500m please do not enter someone who will be significantly slower than the rest of the field. We want to encourage participation however the time constraints of evening meetings (licence

& Venue rules) do mean we do not have an option to run over time. We will trust your discretion, as we do not want to introduce maximum times allowed.

### **Host Clubs**

Must supply :

Starter, marksman

Track referee, field referee

Equipment for field events

First aider

Spare numbers for non scoring

Tea and biscuits for officials

Contact and Co-ordinate officials for designated club duties as per the timetable.

**If anyone would like to be involved in the organisation of the league please contact your team manager.**