

## Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2017

### 2017 AGM AGENDA

The 2017 AGM for the CWFHC Canadian Masters Weightlifting Federation will be held at the Competition Venue for the 2017 Canadian Masters Weightlifting Championships in the Curling Club Lounge at the Winfield Curling Club 9830 Bottom Woodlake Road Lake Country, B.C. at 8:00 PM on Friday May 12, 2017 after the Technical Meeting at 7:00 PM. The Meeting will last one hour.

#### The Agenda will be:

1. Call to Order and identification of Delegates:
2. Business arising from the Minutes of the 2016 AGM:
  - The entry fee increase for this competition from \$60 to \$110 was due to the Canadian Masters not subsidizing this competition and the organizer had to pay for all expenses. Also, the CMWF applied a \$15.00 surcharge from every entry form to pay CCES for the anti-doping testing. Cost will be in the \$1,800.00 range. Fee was based on 125 registration @ \$15.00 each = \$1,875.00.
  - Proposed change for Canadian Masters Records Policy. The new policy for 2016 describing how Canadian records would be set brought quite a heated debate among the members present. There were a number of concerns from both sides of the issue such as the involvement of CCES with records set at non-drug tested meets; the need to recognize competitions at or above the provincial level; the need to attract new members and retain our current ones; to have a policy that will still attract members to compete nationally at the Canadian Masters; and if the policy is changed, that it should be revisited annually to determine if it still speaks to the wishes our membership while upholding the integrity of what a record represents. With these thoughts in mind a motion was brought forth by John Margolis and seconded by Yves Carignan that ***“The Canadian Masters Weightlifting Records can be made and/or broken at the following competitions: World Masters, World Masters Games, Pan-American Masters, Canadian Masters sanctioned events, Provincial Masters and World Cup with the understanding that they have been approved for and subject to doping control.”*** The motion was carried. 23/2
  - The question was raised about the role of the National Chairman. It was suggested that the Executive Committee (which in our By-Laws is the President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer) review the role of the National Chairman in light of the discussions and include that in our By-Law with both documents becoming available on our web page.

It was also suggested that although it is the Vice-President who is responsible for reviewing and proposing changes to the By-Laws, there should be a committee to assist him in that task seeing that we are all unclear of where we legally stand in relationship to the Canadian Weightlifting Federation. In addition such a Policy and Procedures Committee can also be of assistance to the Hall of Fame Secretary in revisiting the current criteria used to select honorees, to the Anti-Doping Committee and to producing a Technical Officials' Speakers Guide of common phrases in the French language.

- The Internet Newsletter - this question was not discussed.
3. Approval of the Minutes of the 2016 AGM:
  4. 2016 Reports:
    - National Chairman – John Case
    - Secretary-Treasurer – Doug Sinclair
    - Hall of Fame Secretary – Ken Miller
    - Membership Secretary – Judy Quinn
    - Records Secretary – Mark Gomes
    - Western Representative – Ed Fergusson
    - Eastern Representative – Gary Lewis
    - Status of 2018 Pan Am & 2019 Worlds – Yves Carignan
    - President – David Desroches
  5. Elections:
    - Secretary-Treasurer Position (Job Description on our web site)
    - Women's Representative Position (Heidi Schraft has agreed to allow her name to stand)
  6. 2018 Canadian Masters Competition:
  7. Other Business (Items put forward from members for discussion)
    - Completion of the 2016 Agenda -CMWF newsletter. (There hasn't been one published since 2014)
    - Discussion about and maintaining our 30-34 age group divisions. Stopping interference from outside of Canada.
    - Offering the following events to our members;
      - a) A "liftoff" event similar to what cross fit has. Particulars to be completed for an online lifting event.
      - b) Confirm that our Can. Masters W/L Champs are ONLY open to Canadian Masters members and the AGM are held in conjunction with that meet.
      - c) Run a Can/US meet to be held that doesn't interfere with other major meets. Alternate between Can or US except when Can hosts the Can/Pan Am Masters Champs. -Every other year
      - d) Offer a Can. Masters Training camp every 2 years if possible. Try to vary the location not just in Ont. or Que. See if financially viable?
    - Add the 90 kg and 90+ kg weight classes to the women's weight classes and dismiss the 75+-weight class. Start to count record results in these 2 new classes. Subject to CWF approval
    - Christine Gerard won a bronze medal (in the 63 kg class) at the London Olympics in '12. The lifters who finished ahead of her tested positive for drugs. It may take several years for Christine to receive the proper medal she is due. But can we recognize her accomplishments now, with a huge plaque and have our Western Rep present her with this honor.
    - A discussion on allowing records to be broken at more meets. Specifically provincial championships that are not masters only.
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