



### Dates to Remember:

September 8, 12:00 USATF Indiana Meeting-National Institute of Fitness & Sport, Indianapolis  
November 9<sup>th</sup>, Association Cross Country Meet  
Cerland Park in Columbus  
November 17<sup>th</sup> Region VII Cross Country at Eagle Park in Little Nashville  
Dec. 4-8 USATF Annual Meeting-Reno  
Dec. 15 USATF Indiana Annual Officials Clinic site TBD  
January Master Association Indoor site TBD  
June 20 Master Association Outdoor site TBD  
June 13-14 Youth Association Outdoor site TBD  
July 9-12 Region VII site TBD



Torrent Rain Jacket \$55.95  
Rain Pants Black \$55.00

### Links:

Indiana Officials [Web site:](#)  
USATF [Indiana Gear:](#)  
[USATF.org](#)  
[Indiana.usatf.org](#)  
[NCAA.org/playing-rules](#)  
[Best Practices](#)  
[USATF Rule Book](#)  
[NCAA Rule Book](#)  
[Paralympic Rule Book](#)

Don't forget to check your USATF membership renewal and background check. This can be done at USATF.org in your profile.

Do you know of a recent high school or college athlete that would like to give back to the sport? USATF Indiana has instituted a new program for young athletes that would help defer some cost. Contact Mike if you know of someone.

If you would like to learn more about becoming certified to officiate Paralympic Track and Field events following the following link:

<http://www.usatf.org/usatf/files/7b/7b7884d5-9712-4e90-9c70-add9a9ea813f.pdf>

**Mike's Laps-** On September 8, 2019, 12:00 at the National Institute of Fitness in Indianapolis, the USATF Indiana Membership will have the opportunity to select 4 Board members to serve a three year term on the Board of Directors (BOD) of USATF Indiana Association.  
John Maley - Current BOD member  
Shane Lee - Current BOD member  
Stu Goble - Current BOD member  
Richard Boyd - Current BOD member

These are the positions that are up for election.

We are seeking to have BOD members from across the state...Central, North, South, East and West...and all points in-between. I encourage you to throw your hat into the ring again this year.

Board membership is open to all members of the Indiana Association. You must be a current member in good standing to run for the board. Voters must be a minimum age of 18 on the day to the election.

If you decide that you would like to run for the Board of Directors you need to understand the following:

1. You must be in good standing as of July 31 immediately preceding the election..
2. Qualifications of Directors:

- Directors of the Association must be members of the Association and may also be officers of the Association.
- Directors should have considerable training and competition experience as an athlete, coach, official, trainer, physician or administrator in the sport of Athletics.
- Elected Directors shall be eligible for re-election.
- Directors are required to renew their membership with INUSATF by January 31 of each year. Note; multiyear memberships are available). Failure to do so may result in removal from office of that person.

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### Mike Armstrong, NOC Officials Chair:

**USATF National Championship Applications:** Next month, applications will be open to National and Master officials for the 2020 USATF Championship meets. These meets include the Senior Indoor Championships, the U-20 Outdoor Championships, and the US Olympic Trials. Please make sure your certification is current - including your Background Screen - and that your membership profile has a correct email address. I would also encourage you to apply for more than one of the meets. Just applying for one does not increase your chances of selection. If you have any questions, let me know.

**USATF Annual Meeting Schedule:** This year's Annual Meeting will be in Reno, NV on Dec. 4-8. Details on N.O.C. meetings, events, and clinics will be posted soon. Make plans to join us!

# OFFICIAL NEWS

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**SafeSport Update:** There have been some recent updates regarding SafeSport. These updates have come to USATF from the US Center for SafeSport. Here is some information that applies to our officials:

- Your SafeSport Certification is valid through the 2020 Olympiad
- SafeSport has developed an annual Refresher course. This course is not required at this time.
- New SafeSport Certifications can only be completed online. The use of the DVD in group settings is not currently allowed. The NOC is working to try and re-instate the group option.



Long Sleeve Polo  
\$29.00

**NCAA Rule** When engaged in competition, each competitor must wear an official team uniform with components governed by these rules or be subject to disciplinary action. Competitors who are not in proper uniform compliance shall not compete until a compliant uniform is worn. The competition will not be delayed to accommodate compliance with the rule. Wearing any part of the official team competition uniform illegally (that is, top off or intentionally shortened, shoulder straps lowered) while in the area of competition shall lead to a warning by the nearest official and a report of uncorrected violations shall be made to the games committee, referee and offending competitor's coach

**USATF Rule of the Month:** 230.1c The Chief Judge shall assign the Judges to their respective judging areas and explain the judging procedure to be used during the race. The Chief Judge shall act as the supervising official for the competition and shall judge the full competition. In addition, at International Selection Competitions, National Championships and other events as determined by the Race Walk Committee, the Chief Judge shall act as a Judge as described in 230.3(f).

**NFHS Rule of the Month:** 4-6-5g, 8-6-1e: Clarifies that a competitor should not be penalized for helping another competitor who is distressed or injured when no advantage is gained by the competitor who is assisting.

## Mike's Laps

If you are interested in being considered for a Board seat please submit to me the following on a one page (if possible) the following information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ USATF Membership# \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Serving in Track and Field activities (athlete, official, volunteer, etc \_\_\_\_\_)

Qualifications/Short Bio/Resume) (Hit the high points)

Sample...volunteered or worked at 8 Association meets.

Been involved in track for 25 years

Served on the Association Youth Committee

Served as a high school meet director

You get the idea....

Answer the following questions as succinctly as possible...

1. Where do you see the Indiana Association in the next 5-10 years.?
2. What is your vision for the Indiana Association?
3. What particular items/projects would you like the Association pursue in the future?

Please, if you are interested, take the time to fill out the information requested and return to me by September 1, 2019, so we are able to print the ballots.

We will also solicit any nominations from the floor.

Please consider running for the Board...we need quality individuals to help take us to the next level....and we need people from around the entire state. If you are at all considering the "Just Do It"....please return the info requested to me at [mikegoert@gmail.com](mailto:mikegoert@gmail.com). Or give me a call at 765-661-1645.

Deadline for nomination bio's/info ; September 1, 2019

Thanks!

Mike Trego, Nomination Chair USATF Indiana

2019 Annual Officials Clinic and Awards Ceremony will be Sunday December 15, 2019. Scott Rose will be our special guest. It looks as though the NCAA will be going to a certified EDR as early as next year at all championships events. Scott has agreed to come and certified all officials that would like to become certified. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity.

Also be watching out for the digital voting process for the Marshal Goss Award Official of the Year, Keith Mitchel Field Event Official of the Year, and the Dave Bowers Track Official of the Year Awards.

Meets need officials: Some of the following meets may be full.

Anderson Contact Paul Sargent [paul@sargentdistribution.com](mailto:paul@sargentdistribution.com)

Feb 1

Feb 20

Ball State University contact Brian Etelman [baetelman@bsu.edu](mailto:baetelman@bsu.edu)

Feb 21

April 11

May 8

Grace Crossroads Conference Contact Paul Sargent [paul@sargentdistribution.com](mailto:paul@sargentdistribution.com)

April 30, May 1

Grand Valley State University Contact Mike Trego [mikeogert@gmail.com](mailto:mikeogert@gmail.com)

Feb 29-March 1 GLIAC Indoor Championships

Indiana Tech Contact Doug Edger [DJEdgar@indianatech.edu](mailto:DJEdgar@indianatech.edu)

Dec 14

April 10

April 25

Indiana University Contact Deb Thompson [debthomp@indiana.edu](mailto:debthomp@indiana.edu)

Friday December 13th TBA Hoosier Open

Saturday January 11th TBA Indiana vs Tennessee Duals

Friday January 24th TBA Gladstein Invitational

Saturday January 25th TBA Gladstein Invitational

Friday January 31st TBA Indiana University Relays

Saturday February 1st TBA Indiana University Relays

Friday February 14th TBA Hoosier Hills

Friday May 1st TBA Billy Hayes Invitational

Indiana Wesleyan Contact Eric Jackson [eric.jackson@indwes.edu](mailto:eric.jackson@indwes.edu)

Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>

Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>

Feb. 7 and 8<sup>th</sup> (indoor crossroads league championships)

March 6 (HSR Qualifier 1)

March 7 HSR 2

March 3 HSR 3

March 28: IWU Polar Bear

April 17 and 18: Little State

May 8<sup>th</sup>: NCC Conference

May 12<sup>th</sup>: TRC Conference

May 19: Girls Sectional

May 21: Boys Sectional

May 26: Girls Regional

May 28<sup>th</sup>: Boys Region

Notre Dame University Contact Cody Brousek [cbrousek@nd.edu](mailto:cbrousek@nd.edu)

Dates to be determined

Blue & Gold Invite

Notre Dame Invite

Meyo Invite

Alex Wilson Invite

Spire Institute contact Emily Dempster

Go to the following site to fill out the Spire Application and see what dates they have.

<https://lightningtiming.com/SPIRE2020/SPIRE2020.html>

Feb 28-29 Big Ten Indoor Championships

March 1-2 Big East Indoor Championships

Taylor University HSR March 20<sup>th</sup>. Contact Stu Goble [sgoble@eastbrook.k12.in.us](mailto:sgoble@eastbrook.k12.in.us)

Trine contact Josh Fletcher [fletcherj@trine.edu](mailto:fletcherj@trine.edu)

March 14

March 20

Jan 11

Feb 29

University of Indianapolis Contact Paul Sargent [paul@sargentdistribution.com](mailto:paul@sargentdistribution.com)

1. Friday Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>: UIndy Season Opener
2. Saturday Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>: UIndy Winter Break
3. Saturday Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>: Indy Collegiate Challenge
4. Friday Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> & Saturday Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>: Tom Hathaway Distance Classic (includes Combined Events)
5. Saturday Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>: Indy Invitational (Senior Day)
6. Saturday Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> & Sunday Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>: GLVC Indoor Track & Field Championships