

2004 INTER-COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dear County Secretary,

Attached is the timetable for the 2004 Inter County Championships. This results from our discussions prior to last year's AGM. You will remember that I circulated a preliminary version for discussion prior to County Championships weekend, earlier in the season. Other than the fact that I put in a 4 x 100m relay instead of a medley relay, there were no adverse comments!

There have had to be compromises. There is only time for four trials in field events and the whole programme is very tight. Unfortunately, I am unable to be there on the day, so Malcolm Fletcher, as Event Manager will have all the problems! Please be supportive, if there are 'glitches'. Remember, we're where we are because the event was dying on its feet and the majority view was that a one-day event would help it to revive. We shall carry out our annual meeting of the counties, to review the event, prior to *this year's* AGM. That will be the time to make your suggestions for improvement.

Where there are more than eight competitors in events run in lanes, a second heat will have to be squeezed in. Overall placings will be on times across the two heats. Again, the need for heats and finals had virtually disappeared in the meeting in its previous format. It therefore made sense to write a timetable with only one heat in each event, knowing that very occasionally, this extra heat would have to be squeezed in.

Because there is now only one competitor per event, I have not paid too much attention to possible clashes. One hopes that as many individual athletes as possible will be given a place in the county team.

I wish all competitors and team managers success.

Yours faithfully,

Malcolm Rogers

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EVENT MATRIX

Events are as in 2002. This was agreed, at the meeting prior to the AGM, to be a reasonable decision for the launch of a new format. 'New' events could be discussed before the 2005 format is finalised.

	Men			Women		
	Sen	U17	U15	Sen	U17	U15
Sprint Hurdles	X	X	X	X	X	X
400/300m Hurdles	X	X		X	X	
100m	X	X	X	X	X	X
200m	X	X	X	X	X	X
300m/400m	X	X	X	X	X	
800m	X	X	X	X	X	X
1500	X	X	X	X	X	X
3000m	X	X		X	X	
Steeplechase	X	X				
Walk	X	X	X	X	X	X
4x100m Relay	X	X	X	X	X	X
Pole Vault	X	X		X	X	
High Jump	X	X	X	X	X	X
Long Jump	X	X	X	X	X	X
Triple Jump	X	X		X	X	
Hammer	X	X		X	X	
Shot	X	X	X	X	X	X
Discus	X	X	X	X	X	X
Javelin	X	X	X	X	X	X