

# USA TRACK & FIELD, NEVADA ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## Vision Statement

To establish and maintain an integrated community resource through the sport of track and field.

## Mission Statement

The Mission of the Nevada Association of USA Track & Field is to provide vision and leadership to athletes in the sport of track and field in the state of Nevada, and to promote the pursuit of excellence for athletes from grass roots to the Olympic Games.

## Nevada Association Officers

Brooks Lewis- President

Stacey Cooper- Vice President

Tonita Mack- Secretary

Carmen Price- Treasurer

Jeanetta Hawthorne- Membership Chair

Brooks Lewis- Youth Chair

Richard Minyard- Officials Chair

Kisha Finch- Cross Country Officer

Sam Germany - Men and Women's Chair

Martha Watson - Master's Chair

Jeanetta Hawthorne- Sanctions Officer

## **Volunteer Needed**

Do you love track & field and want to become more involved? Would you like to become more involved with Association business?

The Nevada Association is looking for volunteers to help with track & field events. There are also Association positions available.

If you are interested in becoming more involved, please contact Carmen Price at [caatprice@embarqmail.com](mailto:caatprice@embarqmail.com).

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## New Website Coming Soon!

We will be launching a new and improved Track & Field website for Nevada. The website is scheduled to launch in October. Stay tuned for more information.

## Upcoming Events

9/30/2011 – 10/2/2011	Nevada Senior Games
10/08/2011	Red Rock 5K
10/21/2011	Ragnar Relays
10/29/2011	Hoover Dam ½ Marathon



## “Official” News

Would you like to become a USA Track & Field certified official? Nevada currently has \_\_\_ certified officials and we would love to see more!

Training classes will be held in early 2012. Specific training date and location will be posted on our website.

## Cross Country Corner...

This year’s Cross Country Association Championship race will be held on November 12, 2011, location TBD. The Regional Cross Country Championship race will be held in Escondido, CA, on November 20, 2011. More information to come.



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## Youth News

Another season of youth track and field has come and gone. We had some difficulties with securing track facilities which resulted in a few cancelled track meets, but overall it was another successful season. The Nevada Association would like to thank all the coaches, officials, volunteers, and parents for all of your hard work in helping to make this season a great one. We would also like to congratulate all the youth athletes, whether you were able to beat your personal best records or if you competed in any championship meets. You gave it your all and we are very proud of you!

### Congratulations Avione!

The Nevada Association would like to congratulate Avione Allgood for qualifying for the Pan American Games in the Javelin Throw. This year's Pan American Games will be held in Guadalajara Mexico, October 23-30, 2011. Let's wish Avione the best of luck!

### Criminal Background Checks

The Nevada Association would like to thank everyone who has volunteered their time and energy to the sport of track and field. If you volunteered in the youth division, it is a requirement to pass a criminal background screening prior to interacting with the youth. We would like to thank the following individuals who have successfully completed the background screening requirements. All background checks expire on 12/31/11, and you are required to repeat the background screening process for the 2012 youth track season.

D. Adkins	K. Finch	T. Mack	V. Roberts
G. Allgood	C. Gatewood	T. Mcculloch	L. Singleton
D. Anderson	S. Germany Jr	H. Miller	D. Smith
D. Bolden	D. Gilbert	P. Miller	K. Spurlock
R. Bolden Sr	P. Hardwick	R. Minyard Jr	J. Upchurch
A. Brass Jr	M. Hicks	V. Neal	C. Williams
J. Burkley	E. Hildreth	C. Pointer	Y. Williams
T. Cagle	E. Johnson	C. Price	J. Yancy
S. Cooper	J. Joiner	A. Ramirez	J. Yancy
J. Edmond	B. Lewis Jr	P. Reid	

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## Youth Age Divisions

Sub Bantam	(born 2003 or later)
Bantam	(born 2001 – 2002)
Midget	(born 1999 – 2000)
Youth	(born 1997 – 1998)
Intermediate	(born 1995 – 1996)
Young	(born 1993 – 1994)

\*PER USATF Rule, Article VI, Section I, Rule 300.1 (c), "Athletes must be at least seven (7) years of age on December 31 of the current year to compete at the Youth Athletics or Junior Olympic National Championship."

\*\*PER USATF Rule, Article VI, Section I, Rule 300.1 (d), "Athletes who are still eighteen (18) years of age through the final day of the National Junior Olympic Track and Field Championships shall be eligible to compete in the Young Men's and Young Women's division through that meet."

## IT'S ALL ABOUT THE KIDS

- Make sure all coaches have background checks
- Make sure all Athletes receive medals when competing in a Track Meet
- Make sure your paperwork is done and fees paid in a timely fashion
- Make sure coaches and staff members get along in their respective organizations- Athletes should have a positive experience
- Make sure to exemplify camaraderie amongst all coaches in the Nevada Association
- Make sure to conduct yourself in a professional manner; not panic mode

## OBEY ESTABLISHED USATF RULES



As you run, it tells you to stop but the mind must be strong.

You always go too far for your body.

You must handle the pain with strategy...

It is not age; it is not diet.

It is the will to succeed.

-Jacqueline Gareau