

## OMA COUNCIL MEETING DUNEDIN 24 JANUARY 2018

### SUMMARY FOR OMA WEBSITE

The 2019 OMA Championships will be conducted in Mackay Queensland 31 August to 7 September on a new track scheduled for completion in early 2019. This should be a great experience in sunny Queensland.

The 2021 OMA Championships have been allocated to Norfolk Island. Proposed dates are 17 to 23 January. Norfolk Island has previously hosted the OMA Championships and those, including myself, who have attended have had an experience not to be missed.

As shown in the Council minutes there are now two Pacific Island nation representatives on the Council.

The Clem Green Trophy for the best age graded 1500 metre result in the Dunedin Championship was won by Louisa Abram AUS W55 with a 94.57% result. Her name will be engraved on the trophy which is displayed at OMA Championships.

The new OMA flag was flown in Dunedin during the Championships.

Drug testing was carried out for the first time at an OMA Championship.

The age bands for Cross Country teams need review with the WMA/OMA reduction to a 6 K for athletes 70+.

The total age for 4 X 100 and medley relays is to be calculated using actual age for each of the athletes in the team not the age group.

George White AUS a long serving Council member and President of Masters Athletics South Australia was unable to attend Dunedin due to health issues. He was greatly missed. The good news is that George is making a steady recovery.

Bob Schickert

OMA Secretary

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