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BC OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD RECORDS

BC Masters athletes had another excellent record-breaking year in 2014. Masters athletes set 55 Outdoor records and 33 Indoor records for a total of 88 new BC Masters track and field records. Two more BC track and field records were tied. Ten athletes set more than one Outdoor BC track and field record. Leading the way was Olga Kotelko W95 with 9 new records. Dave McDonald M60, Rose Hare W65 and Margaret Rhebergen W55 had four new records while John Hawkins M65 and Doug Monds M85 had three each. With two new records were Jeannette Van Den Bulk W35, Les East M75, Myrtle Acton W80 and Kathy Brand W70.

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Of the 33 new BC Masters Indoor records set in 2014, all but five were set at the WMA Championships in Budapest, Hungary or the BC Masters Indoor Championships in Kamloops. The other five records were set in Seattle, Toronto, Richmond and Edmonton (2). Leading the way again was Olga Kotelko W95 with seven new Indoor records. Five athletes set two new records. They were Tom Dickson M60, Jeannette Van Den Bulk W35, Cheryl Closkey W65, Bakhshish Dhillon M75 and Fred Pawluk M65.

With her 9 outdoor and 7 indoor records, Olga Kotelko finished with 16 new BC Masters records in 2014. Margaret Rhebergen had 5 new records in total plus she tied another.

CANADIAN TRACK AND FIELD RECORDS

BC Masters athletes set an amazing total of 41 Canadian Masters records, 27 Outdoors and 14 Indoors. All of Olga's 16 BC records and Rose's four BC records were also Canadian records. Tom Dickson had three Canadian records, two indoors and one outdoors. Three athletes had two Canadian records; both of Myrtle's Canadian records were outdoors while Jeannette Van Den Bulk and Harry Thompson had one outdoor and one indoor Canadian records. Eleven athletes and one relay team also had Canadian records.

RACE WALK RECORDS

For the first time the BC Masters committee approved BC Masters Race Walking records. After looking at past results and reviewing the listed CMA records over the years, the Masters committee approved about 60 Race Walking records in June, 2014. Undoubtedly though, several legitimate records have been missed because it is difficult to find records after so many years.

In 2014, BC athletes set 22 new BC Masters Race Walk records, 17 Outdoors and six Indoors. Dmitry Babenko M40 set six BC records, four outdoors and two indoors. Lori Graham W55 set five records, four outdoors and one indoors. Setting two records each were Harnek Toor M65, Don Currie M80, Suzanne Sharp W60, Rachel Fouladi W45 and Nardene Hammond W40.

Dmitry Babenko set four Canadian records, two outdoors and two indoors. Don Currie set two Canadian outdoor records.

WORLD RECORDS

Olga Kotelko was the only BC athlete to set Masters World records. Olga set 14 World records, 7 Outdoors and 7 Indoors.

Respectfully submitted,

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