



Athletics Ontario Town Hall Written Summary – November 4th

PERTINENT UPDATES

- The Niagara **2022 Canada Summer Games** are now scheduled to take place between August 6 and 21, **2022**
- We know that people are looking for creative areas for indoor training this year. Athletics Canada has negotiated an opportunity for anybody interested in purchasing Mondo surface at a 50% discounted price.
- If you are looking for Mondo surface to put down (for example - over a cement surface), you can purchase Mondo surface at the discounted price for **\$5.88 per square foot**, plus shipping. Please contact Paul Osland at paul.osland@athleticsontario.ca if you are interested.

CROSS COUNTRY UPDATES:

- We are still working on finalizing the details regarding the November 14-15 Cross Country Championship.
- The championship will follow a multi-region format with a west, central, and east location in effort to limit non-essential travel.
- Sunnybrook Park and Centennial Park are now closed, therefore neither park will be used as the central Ontario location. We are currently working on alternative location in Markham. We are considering two facilities, either Bill Crothers Secondary School, or Milne Conservation area.
- The eastern location will be held in Ottawa at Wesley Clover Park, and the western location will be in London at Fanshawe Park Golf Course.
- Facility locations are still subject to change.
- More information will be available online within the next few days. Please register for the regional competition closest to you.
- Athletes must be a competitive member to compete at any location. For assistance upgrading your membership, please call our office at 647-352-7214.

SAFE SPORT POLICY MANUAL

On today's town hall meeting for coaches, officials and clubs we had a presentation from Athletics Ontario Board of Directors member, Robin Campbell, on the newly release safe sport policy manual. This week, Robin discussed the updated **Complaints, Dispute Resolution and Discipline Policy**.

Robin's full presentation is available for review on the [town hall](#) page of our website!

SCHEDULE

Below is the schedule for the remaining four week's presentations. We encourage members to review the scheduled policies before each week's call. The goal is to address 2-3 policies per week and discuss them in detail, rather than trying to grasp the understanding of all nine policies at once.

November 11 (NEXT WEEK)

- Appeal Policy
- Alternative Dispute Resolution Policy
- Event Discipline Policy
- Whistleblower Policy

November 18

- Screening Policy
- Membership Policy

November 25

- Concussion Management

If you have any questions regarding any policies included in the manual, please submit them in advance to office@athleticsontario.ca or on your trackie registration form each week. In addition, we welcome any feedback you may have upon review of the new manual. Please also send any feedback to the same email address.

NAVIGATING UNIVERSITY RECRUITMENT INFORMATIONAL NIGHT

We've teamed up with **Streamline Athletes** for Navigating University Recruitment: A Seminar for Parents/Guardians and Coaches!

Join us on **Monday, November 9th at 6pm EST** for the online recruitment info session.

This event is for parents/guardians, coaches and interested parties looking to learn more about the university recruitment process, how they can support their athletes and what Streamline Athletes can do to help during the whole process. This event is **completely free** and AO athletes, you are welcome to tune in, too!

Register on Trackie: www.Trackiereg.com/AOxSA-Info-Night

PPE KIT DISTRIBUTION

We are in the final process of distributing complimentary PPE kits to all Athletics Ontario member clubs. We are offering two distribution methods:

Option 1: Pick-Up

We will be offering **ONE** more opportunity to pick up your club's kit from the Athletics Ontario office located at 3701 Danforth Avenue, Scarborough (Variety Village).

The FINAL pick-up opportunity will be on **Wednesday, November 11th** from **3:00PM-7:00PM**.

If you intend to pick up your club's PPE Kit on this day, you must confirm with Saheed Khan at coaching@athleticsontario.ca.

Clubs may request to pick up their PPE kits from the Toronto Track and Field Centre as an alternative location. If you wish to do so, you must let us know **before November 11th**. After November 11th we will arrange for kits to be sent to TTFC for pick from the clubs who communicated with us.

Option 2: Shipping

If you are located outside of the GTA or unable to pick up on November 11th, we will be offering shipping. **Clubs will be required to cover shipping costs.**

Shipping cost will range from \$15.00 to \$25.00 depending on your club's location in the province and the number of kits your club will be receiving. If you require shipping, you must confirm with Saheed Khan, no later than **December 1st**.

Please contact Saheed Khan at coaching@athleticsontario.ca to arrange your pick up or shipping arrangements.

NATIONAL TEAM GUIDE RUNNER WANTED!

A member of the Canadian National Team on a journey to the Paralympics is looking for a guide runner who meets the following qualifications:

- Able to run under 11.00 for the 100m
- Able to run under 23.00 for the 200m
- Is able to guide on the right
- Available 5 times a week
- Located in the GTA
- Flexible with time
- Dedicated to training together without having Coaches around

If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Craig Blackman (Head coach, I Be Fast Track Club), at sajia@idirect.com

For more information on becoming a guide runner with the Ontario Blind Sport Association (OBSA), please visit: <http://athleticsontario.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/OBSA-Guide-Running-Pathway-2018.pdf>

THE ONTARIO TRILLIUM FOUNDATION – RESILIENT COMMUNITY FUND

The Ontario Trillium Foundation has introduced the one-time Resilient Communities Fund to invest in the recovery and rebuilding efforts of the non-profit sector impacted by COVID-19.

Due to the impact on capacity, increased demand, as well as the anticipated community needs for organizations to recover from the impacts of COVID-19, the Ontario Trillium Foundation is redirecting funds from the Grow grant and Capital grant cycles for 2020 into this new fund.

Non-profit organizations are struggling to operate and deliver their programs and services and meet community needs. The Resilient Communities Fund will respond to the recovery needs non-profits and communities are challenged with as a result of the impacts of COVID -19 and will support them as they return to building healthy and vibrant communities.

With this one-time fund, OTF is supporting a flexible range of capital and non-capital activities to aid in the medium to longer-term recovery efforts of organizations to help with their stabilization and build their capacity and resiliency.

Application Deadline:

- December 2, 2020 at 5 pm ET.

Visit the [Resilient Communities Fund resource page](#) to learn more about the fund and how to apply. Applications are being accepted by ANY registered non profit organization.