

OPEN LETTER TO ALL INTERESTED IN THE FUTURE OF LINCOLNSHIRE TRACK AND FIELD LEAGUE

As you may be aware, the Lincs. League (track and field) is constantly evolving and we have changed things over the last few years to try and improve this competition.

Now it is your turn to give us some of ***your*** ideas to see how it can be made even better!

Everything we do, we have based on the League Objective which states: "To provide and encourage competition for as wide a range of participants as possible. The interest and enjoyment of the athlete is of paramount importance."

By trying to encourage as many competitors as possible to participate, we have found that some events become unmanageable and athletes are kept waiting for long periods and lack of officials becomes an issue.

So what would *you* suggest as a solution to this and other problems experienced?

The Track and Field league is unique in terms of the number of events and age range of participants allowed – in excess of 150 individual events in any one day – albeit condensed by mixing age groups together to make it a workable timetable. Our intention is not to have a detrimental effect on the competition, but purely to make it manageable and more enjoyable for all those involved.

The areas we would like feedback on include (but are not limited to) -:

- Lack of officials
- Number of competitors per event
- Dates for matches next year
- Number of matches to be organised for next year
- Timetables
- Fees
- Sanctions for rule breaking
- Other competitions which cause clashes

Please tell your club contact of any thoughts, ideas, opinions and suggestions for improvements you may have, ***BY CHRISTMAS AT THE LATEST***. Each club will then send representative(s) to a meeting in January to allow these comments to be acted upon, in order for the Lincs. League to flourish and improve.

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