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Virtual Attendance is Available

The OTC Annual Meeting Offers a Packed Agenda

The Oregon Track Club Annual Dinner and Business Meeting is happening March 1 at the First Baptist Church, Eugene. The meeting will be a combination of virtual and in-person attendance. Current OTC members were already sent an email RSVP request.

Registration for attending in-person is now closed. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. for the members attending in-person and dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. The virtual portion of the meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. If you wish to attend virtually, [go here](#) and enter meeting ID 813 2501 1377, and passcode 000638.



The meeting kicks off the Club's 64th year of supporting track and field, fitness, and community service.

The business meeting will include the election of the Board of Directors, presentation of the 2022 officers, presentation of the 2022 budget, the Reske and Brathwaite Award presentations, updates on the UO track and field program and OTC Elite program, and information on the upcoming Oregon22 World Championships.

Run/Walk Series Begins on March 10



The first OTC Run/Walk of 2022 is on March 10 at 6:00 p.m. It will be a 5K on the paved bicycle paths in Alton Baker Park. On-site registration will begin at 5:00 p.m. near the twin shelters. The Run/Walk events are free for OTC members and \$5 for non-members. The opportunity to renew your OTC membership will also be available on-site. You can [register here](#) for the Run/Walk up till 3:00 p.m. on March 10.

Oregon Track Club is looking forward to seeing new and familiar friends at this year's Run/Walk Series which includes an event every month from March through October. Thanks to our long-time sponsors Bigfoot Beverages, Eclectic Edge Racing, Oakshire Brewing, RBC Wealth Management, Run Hub Northwest, and Track Town Pizza for making it happen.

OTC All Comers Set for this Summer

The Oregon Track Club is excited to host the All Comers Meets again this summer. Details will be available on the OTC website and in future issues of this newsletter as soon as a location and dates for the meets are confirmed.

If you are interested in being a volunteer for the All Comers Meets, please contact the OTC All Comers Team at otcmeets@gmail.com.

Are these track and field meets on your calendar?

March 12: Open Meet, Lane Community College
March 19: PNW Invitational, Oregon State University

April 1-2: Hayward Premiere, Hayward Field
April 9: Titan Invitational, Lane Community College
April 21-23: Oregon Relays & USATF Grand Prix, Hayward Field
April 29-30: High Performance Meet, Oregon State University

May 6: Oregon Twilight, Hayward Field
May 7: OTC Hayward Classic, Hayward Field
May 13-15: Pac 12 Conference Championships, Hayward Field
May 19-20: 1A, 2A, 3A High School State Championships, Hayward Field
May 20-21: 4A, 5A, 6A High School State Championships, Hayward Field
May 27-28: OTC/Nike Prefontaine Classic, Hayward Field

June 8-11: NCAA Championships, Hayward Field
June 16-19: Nat. Scholastic Foundation High School Nationals, Hayward Field
June 23-25: USATF U20 Championships, Hayward Field
June 23-26: USATF National Championships, Hayward Field

July 15-24: World Athletics Outdoor Championships, Hayward Field

Butte to Butte is July 4

The 48th Annual Aquafina OTC Butte to Butte will return to its Fourth of July roots in 2022! Preparations are well underway for the nearly half a decade old after-race celebration that has been a part of "The People's Race" in the Eugene/Springfield area.

Bigfoot Beverages is once again the title sponsor through Aquafina, which will mark the 20th year of their incredible support. As in the past, the event will host a 10K, 5K, and 4 mile Mayor's Fitness Walk. Registration is currently open at ButteToButte.org. We can't wait to see you on Independence Day!



Oregon Track Club Project to Honor the Legacy of Hayward Field Officials



Oregon Track Club Officials Committee has been developing an Officials Legacy Project to honor the many decades of volunteer service by track and field officials at Hayward Field. Since 1958, Oregon Track Club (OTC) has collaborated with the University of Oregon to recruit, train, and mentor officials for UO home meets. That relationship continues today.

The heart of the legacy project will feature video documentaries of current and former Hayward officials sharing stories of how they got involved in officiating and their personal experiences officiating meets at Historic Hayward Field.

A small production crew of creative University of Oregon journalism and advertising students will produce the video segments. The filming of these documentaries began in early January.

The OTC Officials Committee is working with the University to possibly have the legacy video presentation as an exhibit in Hayward Hall, an interactive space that is located under the east seating area of Hayward Field.

Women's Sport Summit Set for May 1-3

The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) has announced that registration is now open for the first-ever NFHS women's sport summit. The event, "Better Together: Women and Sport Leadership Virtual Summit," will be held May 1-3 for **administrators, coaches, and officials** at the interscholastic level. The Summit takes place on the 50th birthday celebration of Title IX.

The event is billed as an outstanding professional development opportunity with an impressive lineup of speakers, including keynote addresses by Betsy Butterick (Communications Specialist), Violet Palmer (first female NBA referee), and Dr. Jen Welter (first female NFL coach). There will also be session speakers from all sports including Dr. Bonnie Edmondson who will be talking about, "How to Use Your Power to Empower."

The three-day event will combine standalone speakers and moderated panels for three different groups (administrators, coaches, and officials), as well as general sessions for all attendees.

[Go here](#) to register.

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Oregon Track Club Masters

Masters Elect Officers and Board

The Oregon Track Club Masters elected officers and Board of Directors members for 2022 using electronic voting due to pandemic restrictions.

Elected officers who are also Board members:

President: Bettina Huber
Vice-President: Mike Cahn
Secretary: Tom Feuer
Treasurer: Sandy Pashkin

Other Board members elected for one-year terms:

Danny Bowman
Jane Dods
David Gates
Kevin Marbury
Tom Pattee
Alison Wood

Trisha Kluge continues to serve as **Past President**.

Oregon Track Club Masters

Masters Earn Performance Awards

Thirteen OTC Masters athletes submitted marks in 2021 that achieved All-American status and earned OTCM Performance of the Year Awards. Marks were submitted in the categories of track, field, and road race. There were no marks submitted for race walking.



National and world rankings are for five-year age groups, and All-American Standards are established by National Masters News. World rankings are listed in WorldMastersRankings.com.

The following OTC Masters athletes achieved outstanding performances last year:

[Go here for the list of these outstanding Master athletes](#)

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Hayward Classic Accepting Entries, Meet Volunteers are Needed

The OTC Hayward Classic is one of the top master's track and field meets in the country. After a hiatus due to construction and the pandemic, the historic meet is returning to Hayward Field and will take place on Saturday, May 7.

The Classic features a variety of track and field events, with awards in five-year age groups. Entry is open to ages 25 and up.

Online entry and additional information is now available [here](#). A printable entry form is also available [here](#). Oregon Track Club members receive a \$5 discount on their first event entry fee.

Not competing? The meet can always use volunteers. Please contact Bettina Huber, OTC Masters President, JavelinOne@aol.com.

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Tuesday Night Workouts Continue

The OTC Masters Tuesday Night Workout group continues as we head into spring and summer. Start time is 5:30 p.m. at the South Eugene High School track.

Workouts are led by Coach Ian Brown and normally begin with stretching and drills. These are usually followed by three to four miles of intervals at varying distances and paces. The group is open to all ability

levels and is free to OTC members and their guests.

Join the [Tuesday Night Workout Facebook group](#). For more information contact Trisha Kluge, tklmt@msn.com.

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Meet Opportunities for Masters Athletes

OTC Masters has compiled a list of cross country / track and field meets scheduled for March and April that are accepting Masters-level athletes. Some of these meets may have qualifying standards, and some require pre-approval from the meet director to enter as an “open” or noncollegiate athlete. Please check with the meet director for entry requirements. Information for most of these meets can be found on the [Direct Athletics](#) website.

March 4-5: [Linfield Erik Anderson Memorial Icebreaker](#), Linfield University, McMinnville

March 12: [LCC Open](#), Lane Community College, Eugene

March 18-20: [USATF Masters Indoor Track & Field Championships](#), The Armory, New York, New York

March 19: [OSU PNW Invite](#), Oregon State University, Corvallis

March 26: [Pacific Preview](#), Pacific University, Forest Grove

[Go here to see the April meets](#)

Marbury Honored by the NIRSA

OTC President Kevin Marbury will receive the Honor Award for lifetime achievement from NIRSA — Leaders in Collegiate Recreation at its annual conference in March. The organization was formerly known as the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA).

Marbury is the Vice President for Student Life at the University of Oregon. Previously, he was UO's Director of Physical Education and Recreation.

The Honor Award is the association's highest honor and is awarded annually to a member who has provided exemplary service to the association and has made impressive achievements in the field of collegiate recreation.

The NIRSA advocates for the advancement of recreation, sport, and well-being. It regulates various sports through the collegiate systems and serves students who play at the university varsity or club level in athletic sports, but do not participate in the NCAA, NAIA, or other sports affiliates.

Congratulations Kevin!

Out of the Blocks: Choose Kindness

By Kevin Marbury, OTC President

There's a lot going on in the world right now, and I think we may sometimes wonder if there is something we can do that can have a positive impact? As a person who occupies space in the leadership world, it is something I constantly think about. A very good friend of mine includes this saying at the end of every message he sends, "It's nice to be important but it's more important to be nice!" Though it sounds like just another cute slogan, there's real power in those words when you stop and think about it.

[Go here to read the rest of Kevin's insights](#)





Things are Busy, Busy at the Oregon22 Office

By Jessica Gabriel, Oregon22 Communications Director

The month of February was a busy one for the local organizing committee for the World Athletics Championships Oregon22.

We were able to open up [new opportunities for volunteering](#) for youth ages 16 and 17.

We celebrated Black History Month, with stories about [Margaret Johnson Bailes](#), [Strides for Social Justice](#), and Otis Davis, among others.

We also invited schools, youth program groups, and youth track teams across the country to join 200-plus other groups in helping welcome the world to Oregon by taking on a leg of our [World Wide Welcome \(WWW\) Youth Relay](#). Each one-mile leg of the youth relay is dedicated to a global track and field team on its way to WCH Oregon22. Groups can choose how they participate: by jogging together, racing together, breaking it up into a sprint relay, and/or using adaptive equipment or accommodations for any participants as needed.

[Read about the other Oregon22 activities](#)



Jessica Gabriel

Oregon Track Club Elite Report

OTC Elite's Ciattei Back on Track



Photo courtesy of Jake

By Curtis Anderson, OTC Elite Press Officer

Now in his fourth season as a professional athlete with Oregon Track Club Elite, Vince Ciattei finally feels like he's getting close to his potential.

After two lost years due to injury and the pandemic, Ciattei broke out last season with a string of personal bests, his first Wanda Diamond League appearance at the Prefontaine Classic, and a berth in the finals of the 1,500 meters at the U.S. Olympic Trials.

Although his tenth-place finish at the Trials was not the result he was looking for, the 27-year-old native of Baltimore closed out the season as the eighth-fastest American in the 1,500m with his newly-minted PR of 3:34.57.

[Read the rest of Vince's journey back from injury](#)



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Events Calendar

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March

- 1: **OTC** Annual Meeting, 5:00 p.m., virtual & in-person, First Baptist Church, Eugene
- 9: **OTC** Masters Board meeting, 6:00 p.m., Virtual Meeting
- 10: **OTC** Run/Walk, 6:00 p.m., 5K, Alton Baker Park
- 11-12: NCAA Indoor Championships, time TBA, Birmingham, AL
- 12: LCC Open Meet, 10 a.m., Lane Community College
- 12: Run For The Shamrock, time TBA, 10K, 5K, Eugene
- 13: Suddenly Sleepy Sleepwalk, 11:00 a.m., 5K, Eugene
- 17: Lucky Clover, 5:30 p.m., 10K, 5K, Springfield
- 18-20: USATF Masters Indoor Track & Field Championships, New York, NY
- 19: PNW Meet, Oregon State University, Corvallis

April

- 1-2: Hayward Premiere, Eugene Hayward Field
- 2: Shotgun Trail Blast, 8:00 a.m., 50K, 25K, 10K, 5K, Marcola
- 3: Horse Butte 10 Mile Trail Run, 9:00 a.m., 10M, Bend
- 6: **OTC** Board Meeting, 7:00 a.m., Virtual Meeting
- 7: Oregon Sports Summit, registration required, Valley River Inn, Eugene
- 8: LCC Distance Carnival, 5:00 p.m., Lane Community College
- 9: LCC Invitational Meet, Lane Community College
- 13: **OTC** Masters Board meeting, 6:00 p.m., Virtual Meeting
- 14: **OTC** Run/Walk, 6:00 p.m., 10K, 5K, Alton Baker Park
- 16: Prom 5K, 10:00 a.m., 5K, Springfield
- 21-23: Oregon Relays & USATF Grand Prix, Hayward Field
- 29-30: High Performance Meet, Oregon State University, Corvallis

Always confirm event with event host.

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