

## **OCEANIA ASSOCIATION OF VETERAN ATHLETES**

### ***POLICY STATEMENT - No. 2.7***

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This Policy Statement was endorsed by the Council at its meeting on 21 January, 2001.

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## **OCEANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS**

### **CHAMPIONSHIP LEVIES**

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The OAVA Council separates income, expenditure and funds relating to Administration and Travel costs from those which relate to the Development of veteran athletics in the Oceania region.

Two-yearly Grants received from WAVA are currently allocated by Council equally between general revenue and development reserves.

OAVA has virtually no regular income to cover its basic administration costs.

Although the OAVA Constitution provides for the payment of Affiliation Fees by affiliates, these are not allowed by WAVA, and accordingly no income is available from this source.

As an alternative, Council encourages Affiliates to pay voluntary grants to meet administration expenses.

OAVA's major responsibilities are the holding of Regional Championships and the development of veteran athletics in the region.

In order for these responsibilities to be met and efficient administration maintained, Council has determined that it needs to meet not less than once each year.

The travel and accommodation costs of holding such meetings are significant, and cannot be paid from the limited voluntary administration grants paid by affiliates.

As Oceania Championships are one of its major responsibilities, and in the absence of other revenue, Council considers that athletes competing at these Championships should contribute to the costs of running the Association on a user-pays basis. A levy on each entrant is considered fair.

While the levies assist in meeting OAVA expenses, they do not enable the Association to reimburse travel and accommodation expenses in full; Council members still have to personally contribute to those costs.

#### **POLICY STATEMENT:**

A Levy is to be paid by each entrant at every Oceania Regional Championship event.

The amount of the levy is to be set by Council.

Any GST or similar taxes or levies imposed by Governments must be added to the levy when collected from entrants, so that the full levies set out can be remitted to OAVA.

#### **Relevant Resolutions:**

*Council 24/25 July, 1993*

*Council 18 January, 1998*

*Council 21 January, 2001.*