Recently, I have been questioned on the authenticity of some of the performances that have been listed on the Athletics New Zealand Rankings List site. To outline the measures that I take before listing any performances on the site, I have prepared the following statement.

I will accept results from Club night meetings and Centre organised meetings providing:

- 1. They are from the same Club/Centre official each time.
- 2. The competition was carried out with a full complement of graded officials present at each event.
- 3. The track events were timed using FAT by a qualified official.
- 4. The performances meet the minimum standard required for Rankings purposes. These <u>minimum standards</u> are displayed on the Rankings site.

Also please note ANZ Regulation C2.5 - CONDITIONS FOR RECORDS

1. No claim for a record shall be considered by Athletics New Zealand unless the following conditions have been complied with:

a) Except as provided in Regulation C2.5.3 hereafter the performance must have been accomplished in a competition in:

i. One of the categories of "International Competition" as defined In the World Athletics Competition and Technical Rules, or in a permit event ratified by Athletics NZ for selection and international ranking purposes.

ii At a properly constituted athletic meeting, or in an event at a mixed gathering held under the "Athletics NZ Rules", in either case authorized by Athletics NZ in accordance with Competition Rule 4 and at which all Technical Officials in relevant areas of responsibility shall have at least the same grading levels as required for a NZ Track and Field Championship as set out in Regulation C3.4.7 and no one person may act in more than one Technical position, except a Referee may also act as the Technical Manager.

I would be pleased therefore if the contents of this document can be circulated to officials, coaches and athletes.

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