

Hall of Fame

Nomination of George Cohen

George Cohen is a retired California Department of Corrections Parole Agent. He began his career as 5000 meter runner in 1979 at our Games in Alameda County. He finished in fourth place. The following year and ever since he has set a path as the best middle distance runner the Games has ever seen. George holds more records than any other athlete in any sport. In 1985 at our first World Police Fire Games in San Jose he ran the 800 meter race 1:58.47 in the 40-44 age group. That record stands today as the only mark not surpassed by anyone in the thirteen World Games that have come and gone.

George could easily have the title "Mr. 800" just take a look at our record book. He holds (6) of the 10 possible age group records at the California Police Olympics (now US Police Fire Championships).

Most importantly, George has taken it upon himself to promote the Games throughout the Department of Corrections. With a cup coffee and a Chess Board, George has convinced so many young officers to participate in sports.

Today, George is a High School Track/Cross Country coach in the South Bay. He continues to spread his warm smile and passion for running.

It is fitting that George Cohen be accepted into our Hall of Fame as we move to become the United States Police Fire Championships. Mr. 800 is the best middle distance in the USA.

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