



# **Athletics ACT**

## **Annual Report 2010/2011**



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**Patron**

Denis Wilson AM

**Board Of Management****President**

Alex Gosman

**Directors**

Andrea Ilakovac (till Apr 2011) Laura Garvican (from Apr 2011) – Finance Director

Neil Boden

Hannah Flannery – Media and Publicity Officer

**Administration Officer**

Wendy Pinkerton

**Life Members**

Mr Daryl Cross  
Mrs Joan Cross  
Mr Malcolm JA Davies  
Mr Ewan Drummond  
Mr Ken English  
Mr Ian Galbraith  
Mr Jack Gallagher

Mr John Harding  
Mr Owen Heness  
Mr Dave Hobson  
Dr Eugene Magassy\*  
Mrs Dot Mills  
Mr Michael Thomson  
Mr Denis Wilson AM

**Service Merit Award Holders**

Mr Alan Bishop  
Mr David Cundy  
Mr Malcolm JA Davies  
Mrs Carol Dawes  
Mr Greg Gilbert

Mr John Gilbert  
Mr Laurie Keaton  
Mrs Dot Mills  
Mr John Muir  
Mr Peter Waddell\*

*\* Deceased*

**Affiliated Members**

Bega Athletics Club  
Cooma Athletic Club  
Goulburn Mulwaree Athletic Club  
Junior Talent Squad  
North Canberra Gungahlin Athletic Club

Queanbeyan Athletic Club  
South Canberra-Tuggeranong Athletic Club  
Weston Creek Athletic Club  
Woden Harriers Athletic Club

## AACT Elected Officials & Committees

Media & Publicity Officer	Hannah Flannery
Equipment Officer	Greg Gilbert
Records Officer	Mick Morris
Registrar	<i>vacant</i>
Statistician	Mick Morris
Member Protection Information Officer – Male	<i>vacant</i>
Member Protection Information Officer – Female	<i>vacant</i>
IT Officer	<i>vacant</i>
Track & Field Competition Committee Chair	Gerard Ryan
Track & Field Selection Committee	Kathy Southgate
	Tom Stead
	Paul Torley
	<i>vacant</i>
Cross Country & Road Running Competition Committee Chair	Ian Boyd
Cross Country & Road Running Selection Committee	Christine Pauling
	Paul Torley
	Ian Colquhoun
Officials Committee	<i>vacant</i>
Development Committee	<i>vacant</i>
	<i>vacant</i>
Athletes Representative Committee	Scott McTaggart
	<i>vacant</i>
	<i>vacant</i>
Social Committee	Ruth McTaggart
	<i>vacant</i>
	<i>vacant</i>
Race Walking Selection Committee	Robin Whyte
	Phil Reading
	Peter Boden
	Denis Wilson AM
Technical Committee	Greg Gilbert
	Chris Timpson
	Neil Boden
Awards Committee	<i>vacant</i>
	<i>vacant</i>
	<i>vacant</i>
Awards Officer	<i>vacant</i>
Constitution Officer	<i>vacant</i>
ACT Olympic Council	Bronwyn Fagan
Honorary Auditor	Terina Brierly
Honorary Solicitor	<i>vacant</i>
Honorary Surveyor	<i>vacant</i>
Public Officer	Alex Gosman



## Annual General Meeting

6.00pm, Friday 21 May 2010  
Ainslie Football Club  
52 Wakefield Avenue  
AINSLIE ACT 2602

## MINUTES

Meeting commenced at 6:00pm

### 1. Attendees

Matt Beckenham (QBN), Kerry Boden (NCG), Neil Boden (Board/NCG), Peter Boden (ACT RWFC), Ian Boyd (WH), Peter Caley (WC), Val Chesterton, Ian Colquhoun (Officials Comm/SCT), Lisa Colquhoun (SCT), Pat Colquhoun, Hannah Flannery (SCT), Alex Gosman (President/NCG President), John Hunt (NCG), Andrea Ilakovac (Finance Director/QBN), Doug Limbrick (ACTCCC), Jane McGlew (SCT), Ruth McTaggart (NCG), Scott McTaggart (NCG), Dot Mills (Life Member), Geoff Monro (President SCT), Wendy Pinkerton (Admin Officer), Jenny Price (JTS), Bronwyn Parsons (NCG), Joshua Parsons (NCG), Nicholas Roots (JTS), Gerard Ryan (T&F Comp Comm/WH President), Peter Sinfield (NCG), Kathy Southgate (T&F Select Comm/NCG), Tom Stead (T&F Select Comm/COO), Chris Timpson (Tech Comm/JTS), Paul Torley (Board/T&F Select Comm/WC), Robin Whyte, Denis Wilson AM (Patron/Life Member/Tech Comm/WC).

### 2. Apologies

Daryl Cross (Life Member), Joan Cross (Life Member), Bronwyn Fagan, Greg Gilbert (Tech Comm/Equipment Officer/SCT), Dennis Goodwin (QBN), Owen Heness (NCG), Dave Hobson, Mick Morris (Registrar/Statistician), Christine Pauling (CC Select Comm), Leo Vredenbregt (NCG), Mark Worrall (RW Select Comm)

### 3. Confirmation of 2009 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Alex Gosman proposed Minutes be accepted. Second: Gerard Ryan. Carried

### 4. Business Arising From Previous Minutes

None

### 5. Reports

#### 5.1 President

Report tabled.

- Reported on the progress of the three key recommendations of the strategic plan.
  - *Restructure AACT into a single entity representing and providing programs and services to all T & F members.* During the season AACT instituted a new Competition format, increased resources have been placed in the development area, initiated discussions with other relevant associations to define respective fields of operation.
  - *Develop formal agreements with ACTCCC, ACTVAC and ACTLA to work together where appropriate and to combine the administration location of all four organisations.* AACT re-established relationships with sister athletic associations in one-on-one meetings and forums to discuss issue. Continue to promote this concept.

- *Develop coaching structure that provides coaching services to all levels* – AACT has established a good rapport with Dennis Goodwin. Provided support to caching workshops
- AACT returned to a surplus in 2009. Thanked Andrea Ilakovac for looking after the finances
- The Development of AACT is a major issue, especially at the secondary school and tertiary level, and will concentrate on this in 2010.
- Thanked Greg Gilbert for his tribute to many years of assistance with event set up and management.
- End of T&F season survey results noted many challenges to AACT. There has been a gradual decline in volunteer numbers and some radical ideas are required to ensure meets continue to be supported. The support of the clubs to the meets has been disappointing Clubs are struggling to communicate to their members. AACT needs to make some decisions to consolidate club numbers.
- Thanked volunteers and officials.

## **5.2 Finance Director**

Report tabled.

- AACT made a profit, which is driven by better management of the clubs online registration system.
- Total Revenue was up in 2009 due to increase in registration revenues.
- Total Expenditure was down in 2009 due to the reduction of rent at the new office at the AIS and no office administrator for the second half of 2009.
- Was able to reimburse officials fuel expenses due to the Volunteer Grant of \$10,300 from FaCHSIA. Would have liked to have more volunteers claim their fuel expenses. Chased many officials for then.
- Lisa Colquhoun questioned why the club affiliation revenue was significantly lower than 2008. This is due to Andrea not having full knowledge of which clubs paid in 2009. Will take on this responsibility in 2010.
- Jane McGlew commented that she did not receive any information from her club regarding officials' fuel reimbursements. This should have been communicated at the association level and not relied on the clubs passing over the information.

## **5.3 Media and Publicity Officer**

Report tabled.

- Looked after uploading news and information onto the AACT website, which will be remodelled in 2010.
- Hannah encouraged members to send through any news stories that they would like placed on the website.
- Hopes to establish regular contact with new media contacts. Currently has a good relationship with the Canberra Times.
- Thanked Mick Morris, Pat Birgan and Matt Beckenham for continued technical and media support.

## **5.4 Cross Country & Road Running Competition Committee**

Report tabled.

- No competition committee elected at the 2009 AGM. Gerard Ryan undertook the job of the cross country season point score. Weston Creek was the stand out club from the season.
- Would like to see the premiership be reinstated for 2010. No one seems to care that there is no club competition.

**5.5 Cross Country and Road Racing Selection Committee**

Report tabled.

- The committee drafted selection policies made selections for the Australian Mountain Running Champs, Athletics Australia and Australian All School Cross Country Champs and the Australian Marathon Champs.
- At the Australian Mountain Running Champs, Mark Bourne (WH) won the silver medal in open men's and Jessamy Hosking (SCT) won the silver in the female event. Scott McTaggart (NCG) and Jessamy Hosking were the first Australian finishers in the World Mountain running Champs.
- At the Athletics Australia and Australian All School Cross Country Champs, the men's team of Brad Croker (WC), Scott McTaggart, Alan Craigie (WC), and Philo Saunders won the team silver medal and the open female team of Jessamy Hosking, Fleur Flannery (WC), Andrea Ilakovac (QBN), and Jillian Hosking (SCT) won the team bronze medal.
- Selecting teams for Marathons is not easy as they are not popular events. Selections were made in the male division only at the Australian Marathon Champs and no teams were selected at the Australian Half Marathon Champs.

**5.6 Track & Field Competition Committee**

Report tabled.

- The majority of the clubs were well represented during the season.
- Half of the meets were on a Friday night, which seemed preferred as you still get a weekend.
- Officials were given a break once a month by having no meet that week.
- A significant amount of negotiation was needed to schedule events at the AIS due to the Junior National Football competition. The competition also restricted use of infiled events.
- Thanks to Peter Sinfield for organising the officials. Lack of contact back from clubs after request for more volunteer officials.
- Gerard recommends registration fees are increased to help officials.

**5.7 Track & Field Selection Committee**

Report tabled.

- There was a strong team at the Australian All Schools Champs and the Australian Junior Champs.

**5.8 Officials Committee**

Report tabled.

- No formal committee in 2009.
- Thanks to Peter Boden for organising the school carnivals.
- Thanks or Peter Sinfield for organising the Summer competition.

**6. Financial Statement of Accounts**

Report tabled as above. Moved: Scott McTaggart. Seconded: Robin Whyte. Motion: Carried.

**7. Election of Office Bearers****7.1 President**

Alex Gosman renominated and elected for a further year, declared by John Hunt.

**7.2 Finance Director**

Andrea Ilakovac renominated and elected for 2 years, declared by John Hunt.

**7.3 General Board of Directors**

Neil Boden and Hannah Flannery renominated and elected for 2 years. Paul Torley nominated and elected for a further year, declared by John Hunt.

**7.4 Track & Field Competition Committee Chair – 1 year**

Gerard Ryan renominated and elected for 1 year term, declared by John Hunt.

**7.4.1 1 representative from each AACT club to form the committee**

ANU – vacant position, no nominees

BEG - vacant position, no nominees

COO - vacant position, no nominees

GM - vacant position, no nominees

JTS - vacant position, no nominees

NCG - vacant position, no nominees

QBN - vacant position, no nominees

SCT - vacant position, no nominees

WC - vacant position, no nominees

WH - vacant position, no nominees

**7.5 Track & Field Selection Committee**

7.5.1 Kathy Southgate nominated by Paul Torley and elected for 1 year term, declared by John Hunt.

7.5.2 Tom Stead nominated by Paul Torley and elected for 1 year term, declared by John Hunt.

7.5.3 Paul Torley nominated and elected for 1 year term, declared by John Hunt.

**7.6 Cross Country & Road Running Competition Committee Chair**

VACANT position, no nominees. No representatives nominated.

**7.7 Cross Country & Road Running Selection Committee**

7.7.1 Ian Boyd nominated by David Hobson. Seconded by John Harding. John Hunt declared Ian elected for 1 year term.

7.7.2 Paul Torley nominated by Neil Boden. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Paul elected for a 1 year term.

7.7.3 Christine Pauling nominated by Neil Boden. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Christine elected for 1 year term.

**7.8 Race Walking Selection Committee**

7.8.1 Phil Reading nominated by Peter Boden. Seconded by Robin Whyte. John Hunt declared Phil elected for 1 year term

7.8.2 Peter Boden nominated by Robin Whyte. Seconded by Phil Reading. John Hunt declared Peter elected for 1 year term

7.8.3 Robin Whyte nominated by Phil Reading. Seconded by Peter Boden. John Hunt declared Robin elected for 1 year term

**7.9 Awards Committee**

7.9.1 Neil Boden nominated by Alex Gosman. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Neil elected for 1 year term.

7.9.2 VACANT position, no nominees

7.9.3 VACANT position, no nominees



**7.10 Officials Committee**

- 7.10.1 Ian Colquhoun nominated by Peter Sinfield. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Ian elected for a 1 year term.
- 7.10.2 VACANT position, no nominees
- 7.10.3 VACANT position, no nominees

**7.11 Technical Committee**

- 7.11.1 Denis Wilson nominated by Chris Timpson. Seconded by Greg Gilbert. John Hunt declared Denis elected for 1 year term.
- 7.11.2 Greg Gilbert nominated by Denis Wilson. Seconded by Chris Timpson. John Hunt declared Greg elected for 1 year term.
- 7.11.3 Chris Timpson nominated by Greg Gilbert. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Chris elected for 1 year term.

**7.12 Athletes Representative Committee**

- 7.12.1 Scott McTaggart nominated by Ruth McTaggart. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Scott elected for a 1 year term.
- 7.12.2 VACANT position, no nominees
- 7.12.3 VACANT position, no nominees

**7.13 Constitution Officer**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.14 Development Committee**

- 7.14.1 VACANT position, no nominees
- 7.14.2 VACANT position, no nominees
- 7.14.3 VACANT position, no nominees

**7.15 Social Committee**

- 7.15.1 Ruth McTaggart nominated by Hannah Flannery. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Ruth elected for a 1 year term.
- 7.15.2 Laura Garvican nominated by Hannah Flannery. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Laura elected for a 1 year term.
- 7.15.3 VACANT position, no nominees

**7.16 Member Protection Information Officer - Male**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.17 Member Protection Information Officer - Female**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.18 IT Officer**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.19 Registrar**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.20 Awards Officer**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.21 Records Officer**

Mick Morris nominated by Kerry Boden. Seconded by Neil Boden. John Hunt declared Mick elected for a 1 year term.

**7.21 Equipment Officer**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.23 Media and Publicity Officer**

Hannah Flannery nominated by Neil Boden. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Hannah elected for a 1 year term.

**7.24 Statistician**

Mick Morris nominated by Neil Boden. Seconded by Kerry Boden. John Hunt declared Mick elected for 1 year term.

**7.25 Honorary Auditor**

Terina Brierly nominated by Andrea Ilakovac. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Terina elected for 1 year term.

**7.26 Honorary Solicitor**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.27 Honorary Surveyor**

VACANT position, no nominees

**7.28 Delegates to ACT Olympic Council**

7.28.1 Bronwyn Fagan nominated by Alex Gosman. Seconded by Denis Wilson. John Hunt declared Bronwyn elected for 1 year term.

7.28.2 Alex Gosman. President becomes second delegate.

**7.29 Public Officer**

Alex Gosman. President fills this position.

**8. General Business**

- **Motion** – Owen Heness and Michael Thomson become Life Members of Athletics ACT. Moved by Alex Gosman. Seconded by Kerry Boden. Carried.
- Ian Colquhoun would like to see Owen and Michael received Service members along with their Life Membership.
- Ian Colquhoun would like Service Merit Award Winners to be on a more prominent place on the website.
- Matt Beckenham queried at what forum would we vote about the club situation. Neil commented that the board has not yet absorbed the survey results and this will be a main priority of the new board. The AGM would not be an appropriate forum to vote on the club situation.

Meeting closed at 6:55pm.

## President's Report

The past two years for Athletics ACT has represented a significant point of inflection as at the executive level the Board has focused on establishing a viable platform for supporting athletics in Canberra and the region. Experience has shown that for any sport to be successful on the "field" at either the club or competition level it needs to be financially and administratively strong. The fact that this was not the case for AACT some three years ago in terms of finances, competition structure, external relationships and club structure was not the result of any sudden development but rather the result of a gradual process of not "keeping pace" with the external environment over the past 20 years. And this was despite the commitment of many volunteers and members to athletics over this period.

It is worth noting where the association stood in 2008.

### 2008

- FINANCIAL DEFICIT/GOVERNANCE
- UNDER DEVELOPED RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ATHLETIC ORGANISATIONS
- LIMITED RECOGNITION BY GOVERNMENT
- FOCUS ON ADMINISTRATION AT THE COST OF DEVELOPMENT
- TIRED COMPETITION STRUCTURE
- UNDER DEVELOPED RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ATHLETIC ORGANISATIONS
- POOR COMMUNICATIONS WITH MEMBERS

Over the past two years the Board has focused on getting the "fundamentals" of the Association right through developing a comprehensive strategic direction and implementing the measures necessary to lay the base for a revitalization of the sport. This has included undertaking a realistic appreciation of where AACT stands vis a vis other athletics associations in the ACT.

Much has been achieved as highlighted below although the more that has been achieved highlights how much more needs to be done. By 2011 the Association has achieved the following:

### 2011

- TWO YEARS OF FINANCIAL SURPLUS/IMPROVED GOVERNANCE
- INITIATED IMPROVED RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS
- EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIP WITH GOVERNMENT AND IMPROVED SUPPORT
- DUAL FOCUS ADMIN/DEVELOPMENT
- REVAMPED COMPETITION STRUCTURE
- IMPROVED WEBSITE/COMMUNICATIONS

Specific highlights include 9 ACT athletics selected for the Commonwealth Games, a revamped and much improved web site, continued improved relationships with our sister athletic organizations and Government and an increased focus on development. The downside is at best stable membership and an increasing difficulty in obtaining sufficient volunteers and officials.

The challenge going forward lies in further increasing the co-operation with our sister athletic associations, continuing to revamp and inject more excitement into the competition structure, increasing the number of volunteers/officials, resolving the club structure issues and providing a development framework.

### The key priorities and results for ACT Athletics in 2010/11:

- *Restructure ACT Athletics into a single entity representing and providing programs and services to all track and field members.*

During the past two seasons we have instituted a new Competition format which received positive feedback from members.

- *Work constructively with Cross Country runners, Veterans and Little Athletics in Canberra and the surrounding regional area where appropriate*

AACT continued to take the lead in re-establishing relationships with our sister athletic associations and hosted a number of follow up meetings during the past year. Not only did this include a series of one on one meetings but also the hosting of an informal 'athletics council' for the four associations to get together and discuss common issues. Going forward we would like to look to the opportunity to work with Little Athletics over development for those athletes in the transitional age groups to keep talented youngsters engaged in the sport as they move to seniors. Similarly there is scope for more joint meets with Veterans and to provide support to the newly created YMCA of Canberra Runners Club.

- *Work constructively with the ACT Government and Athletics Australia*

AACT has also increased its liaison with the ACT Government through the Sports and Recreation Division and we received a significant increase in our triennial grant, which was a reflection of the improved governance arrangements of AACT. We again extend our appreciation of the ongoing funding support provided. We have also engaged further with AA and received funding support for a number of development activities particularly in the AWD area.

- *Develop a coaching structure that provides coaching services to all levels of athletes.*

AACT has established a good rapport with Dennis Goodwin, President of the ACT T&FCA who has brought a new level of energy to the local coaching scene and is proactive in promoting the development of the coaching fraternity in the ACT and region. The future of athletics depends very much on the coaching fraternity to develop "promise" into performance and Canberra has a unique coaching "independent" structure (where coaches are not affiliated with clubs).

In regard to development activities the Board of Management has agreed to a proposal from John Armstrong Sports Consultancy to conduct a series of development activities for AACT with a focus on ensuring the appropriate coaching infrastructure is in place. Stage 1 of his proposal is focused on looking at the existing athletic program, developing increased coaching support and outlining a mentoring program. Stage 2 proposes a more intensive Coach mentor program and facilitation of the revised Competition Structure. Given the responsibilities of the ACT Coaching Associations we are obviously in close consultation as well as with ACT Little Athletics to ensure all our arrangements are in alignment.

The development activities would include an AWD component where funding has been secured from Athletics Australia. Funding for the proposed development activities will come from the increase in support from Sports of Recreation (of \$8000 as previously mentioned), normal income and the AWD funding program.

AACT is excited by the opportunity to work with John who has impressed greatly with his understanding of development issues. The increased external funding will assist in rolling out these activities and also reflects a big vote of confidence in the management of the sport in the ACT.

An initial outcome of the work John is undertaking is the need to make interclub more vibrant and "fun". Initiatives such as High Noon meets over winter have been quite popular. We also need to look at more initiatives such as the March 5000m Championship event, which was significantly bolstered by the addition of a number of leading triathletes resulting in nearly 40 participant participating in a highly competitive race. AACT will be talking to not only Triathlon ACT but other sports re such combined events and "challenges"

with other sports into the future designed to boost interest, numbers and the standard of competition.

- *ACTAS*

AACT has been in touch with both ACTAS and AA re playing a greater role in assisting the development of high performing athletes in the ACT recognizing the funding constraints upon AA.

#### THE CHALLENGES GOING FORWARD

I have highlighted above the need to continue to revamp the competition structure to increase numbers by making our track and field meets both more fun and less intimidating and with an increased focus on development. These will be necessary to drive an increase in athletic numbers.

A major challenge going forward is increasing the number of volunteers prepared to assist on the key committees of the Association – in particular both the Board and the Competition Committee. At the moment a few dedicated officers are maintaining key aspects of athletics and we cannot expect these levels of support to continue into the future.

The Board is disappointed at the level of support a number of clubs have provided to calls for great assistance in such areas as officials and volunteers. We will be looking to a new affiliation structure for clubs next year where fees are dependent on levels of support provided AACT and the sport.

This is an area where we will be seeking the feedback of members in determining future structures.

#### ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE

2010-11 has again resulted in a strong year of performances by ACT athletes at both senior and junior competition and 9 ACT athletes competed at the Commonwealth Games in Delhi. National titles were won by Louise Ellery, Lauren Boden, Kerrie Perkins, Brendan Cole, Hamish MacDonald and Damien Bowen highlight the strength of both our able bodied and AWD athletes.

Our junior athletes performed strongly at both the Australian All Schools in December 2010 and the Australian Junior Championships in March 2011. In his letter event ACT performed superbly in winning 13 championship medals.

#### Financial Performance

Under a very professional and disciplined treasurer AACT again returned surplus in 2010 which provides the Executive with considerably more confidence and certainty in running the association.

AACT was particularly lucky in engaging Wendy Pinkerton in late 2009 as our new Administrative Officer. With a background in sports administration Wendy continues to effectively manage the office in an extremely professional and friendly manner – all in a modest but positive and proactive manner. Great job Wendy.

I would pay a tribute to my fellow Board members for their great support in so many areas – thanks Andrea, Hannah and Neil. I welcome Laura to the Board. And also a big thanks to all the volunteers and officials, and in particular Gerard Ryan for his hard work and professionalism in managing our competitions during the year.

There remains many challenges to the sport of athletics in the ACT and Australia and whilst there have been some positive steps in the right direction there are a number of areas that are of concern including:

- Declining numbers of competitors;
- Continuing competition for our potential athletes of the future from other sports; and
- The support provided by the club network

The Board, despite its limited numbers, will be looking to address these areas through initiatives in the areas of competition, development and co-operation in 2011/12.

Alex Gosman  
President

## **Finance Directors Report**

ACT Athletics Association made a profit of \$24,532 for the year ended 31 December 2010 compared to a profit of \$7,652 in 2009 and large losses in previous financial years. This profit was largely driven by a reduction in expenses, particularly office operation expenses.

Total revenue for the year was on budget but down by \$20,016 from the 2009 financial year. This decrease from the previous year is largely explained by the 'Volunteers Grant' that was not funded during 2010.

Total Expenditure was down by \$36,896 (34%) from the 2009 financial year and below budget by \$7,263. This decrease in expenditure is largely due to a \$29,121 reduction in Office Operating Expenses due to the shift away from a Full Time Executive Officer position to a Part-Time Administrative Officer position.

In 2011 the Association has once again applied for the Triennial Administration Funding, however this year the Association has been successful in receiving an increase in this funding from \$14,000 to \$22,000.

In summary, the Associations financial position has shown significant improvement over the past two years, with the increasing cash reserves generating good interest income through term deposits.

I recommend that the Association accepts these statements as a true and fair representation of the Association financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2010.

Andrea Ilakovac  
Finance Director

**ACT Athletics Association**  
**Profit & Loss Statement**  
*for the year ending December 2010*

	Notes	Budget	2010	2009
<b>Revenues</b>				
Registration Revenue	2	\$25,060	<b>\$21,777.61</b>	\$23,326.95
Competition Revenues	3	\$29,212	<b>\$23,772.05</b>	\$35,272.36
Development Revenues	4	\$0	-	\$1,179.09
Government Grants	5	\$14,000	<b>\$14,914.00</b>	\$29,420.00
Sponsorships	6	\$0	-	-
Officials Related Revenue	7	\$188.66	<b>\$188.66</b>	-
ACT Team Revenues	8	\$13,453	<b>\$16,087.74</b>	\$13,105.94
Support to Carnivals	9	\$13,272	<b>\$15,309.11</b>	\$12,929.67
Miscellaneous revenue	10	\$2,364	<b>\$5,471.42</b>	\$2,302.74
<b>Total revenues:</b>		<u>\$97,549.19</u>	<u><b>\$97,520.59</b></u>	<u>\$117,536.75</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Office Operation Expenses	11	\$18,952.58	<b>\$17,952.45</b>	\$47,073.92
Board of Management Expenses	12	\$1,721.48	<b>\$775.57</b>	\$1,677.04
Competition Expenses	13	\$13,659.53	<b>\$18,257.32</b>	\$19,600.52
Development Expenses	14	\$13,547.37	<b>\$8,527.77</b>	-
Depreciation Expense	15	\$1,846.75	<b>\$2,474.27</b>	\$2,308.45
Write Off Expense	16	-	<b>\$716.00</b>	-
Officials Expenses	17	\$7,208.54	<b>\$2,480.69</b>	\$6,442.36
ACT Team Expenses	18	\$17,287.76	<b>\$16,029.49</b>	\$16,841.46
Miscellaneous Expenses	19	\$6,028.22	<b>\$5,775.53</b>	\$15,941.08
<b>Total expenses:</b>		<u>\$80,252.23</u>	<u><b>\$72,989.09</b></u>	<u>\$109,884.83</u>
<b>Operating Profit/(Loss):</b>		<u>\$17,296.96</u>	<u><b>\$24,531.50</b></u>	<u>\$7,651.92</u>



**ACT Athletics Association**  
**Balance Sheet**  
*as at 31 December 2010*

	Notes	Budget	2010	2009
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash	20	\$77,116.93	<b>\$69,376.45</b>	\$47,997.67
Receivables	21	\$3,000.00	<b>\$4,685.40</b>	\$3,375.67
Prepayments	22	-	-	-
Non Current Assets	23	\$8,486.32	<b>\$9,455.65</b>	\$8,486.32
Inventory	24	\$5,000.00	<b>\$17,398.12</b>	\$20,535.72
<b>Total assets:</b>		<u>\$93,603.25</u>	<u><b>\$100,915.62</b></u>	<u>\$80,395.38</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Creditors	25	\$3,000.00	<b>\$3,077.83</b>	\$7,089.09
<b>Total liabilities:</b>		<u>\$3,000.00</u>	<u><b>\$3,077.83</b></u>	<u>\$7,089.09</u>
<b>Net assets/(liabilities):</b>		<u>\$90,603.25</u>	<u><b>\$97,837.79</b></u>	<u>\$73,306.29</u>
<b>Equity</b>				
Asset Revaluation Reserve		\$2,252.53	<b>\$2,252.53</b>	\$2,252.53
Retained earnings		\$71,053.76	<b>\$71,053.76</b>	\$63,401.84
Current year earnings		\$17,296.96	<b>\$24,531.50</b>	\$7,651.92
<b>Total equity:</b>		<u>\$90,603.25</u>	<u><b>\$97,837.79</b></u>	<u>\$73,306.29</u>

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**ACT Athletics Association**  
**Cash Flow Statement**  
*for the year ending December 2010*

	Notes	Budget	2010	2009
<b>Operating activities</b>				
<b>Cash received</b>				
Registration & Affiliation		\$25,059.58	<b>\$21,777.61</b>	\$24,506.04
Competition		\$29,211.63	<b>\$23,772.05</b>	\$39,942.69
Grants and Sponsorships		\$14,000.00	<b>\$14,914.00</b>	\$29,420.00
Interest		\$304.79	<b>\$1,404.23</b>	\$1,178.51
GST Collected		\$2,500.00	-	<b>(\$724.33)</b>
Other		\$25,264.00	<b>\$34,342.97</b>	\$27,159.84
<b>Total cash received</b>		\$96,340.00	<b>\$96,210.86</b>	\$121,482.75
<b>Cash used</b>				
Employee		<b>(\$13,547.37)</b>	<b>(\$12,382.09)</b>	<b>(\$42,487.72)</b>
Other Administrative		<b>(\$5,404.91)</b>	<b>(\$13,881.10)</b>	<b>(\$8,321.66)</b>
Board of Management		<b>(\$1,721.48)</b>	<b>(\$775.57)</b>	<b>(\$1,677.04)</b>
Competition		<b>(\$13,659.53)</b>	<b>(\$24,280.97)</b>	<b>(\$18,817.34)</b>
Fees, Interest and Charges		<b>(\$345.92)</b>	<b>(\$149.05)</b>	<b>(\$336.99)</b>
GST Paid		<b>(\$2,500.00)</b>	-	-
Other		<b>(\$30,041.53)</b>	<b>(\$22,341.30)</b>	<b>(\$38,887.91)</b>
<b>Total cash used</b>		<b>(\$67,220.74)</b>	<b>(\$73,810.08)</b>	<b>(\$110,528.66)</b>
<b>Net cash movement from operating activities</b>	26	\$29,119.26	<b>\$22,400.78</b>	\$10,954.09
<b>Investing activities</b>				
<b>Cash used</b>				
Purchase of Competition Equipment		-	<b>(\$1,022.00)</b>	-
<b>Total cash used</b>		-	<b>(\$1,022.00)</b>	-
<b>Nil financing activities</b>				
<b>Net cash movement</b>		\$29,119.26	<b>\$21,378.78</b>	\$10,954.09
<b>Prior year closing balance</b>		\$47,997.67	<b>\$47,997.67</b>	\$37,043.58
<b>Current closing balance</b>		<u>\$77,116.93</u>	<u><b>\$69,376.45</b></u>	<u>\$47,997.67</u>

**ACT Athletics Association**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
*for the year ending December 2010*

		2010	2009
<b>Note 1</b>	<p>a. These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory reporting requirements, including the ACT Associations Incorporation Act.</p> <p>b. The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost and do not take account of changes in the Fair Value of non current assets.</p> <p>c. The Association accounting policies have been consistently applied unless otherwise specifically stated.</p> <p>d. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Association:</p> <p>(1) <i>Income Tax</i> The Association is exempt from the payment of Income Tax</p> <p>(2) <i>Goods and Services Tax</i> The Australian Business Number of the (ABN) of the Association is 51 215 120 626. The Association is registered for Goods and Services Tax (GST) purposes (as of 1 July 2005).</p> <p>(3) <i>Depreciation</i> Depreciation is applied to plant and equipment using 20% of the residual value based on assessed useful life of the asset. The depreciation charge as applied as of the last working day of each month.</p>		
<b>Note 2</b>	<b>Registration Revenue</b>		
	Club Affiliation Fees	<b>\$1,890.92</b>	\$400.00
	Member Registration Fees	<b>\$19,886.69</b>	\$22,926.95
	<b>Total Registration Revenue:</b>	<b>\$21,777.61</b>	\$23,326.95
	Number of registered members		
	Athletes	<b>234</b>	255
	Officials	<b>46</b>	43
	Coaches	<b>24</b>	6
	<b>Total registrations:</b>	<b>304</b>	304
<b>Note 3</b>	<b>Competition Revenues</b>		
	<b>Summer Series &amp; High Noon Competitions</b>		
	Ground Entry Fees	<b>\$6,832.32</b>	\$9,238.36
	One Day Registrations	<b>\$613.64</b>	-
	Other Interclub Revenues	<b>\$450.00</b>	-
	<b>Total Summer Series &amp; High Noon Competitions:</b>	<b>\$7,895.96</b>	\$9,238.36
	<b>AACT Championships</b>		
	Championship Entry Fees	<b>\$2,272.73</b>	\$4,617.72
	Booklet Sales	-	\$29.09
	Other Championship Revenues	-	\$4,486.42
	<b>Total AACT Championships:</b>	<b>\$2,272.73</b>	\$9,133.23

<b>Combined Events Competition</b>			
	AA Contribution	-	\$3,181.82
<b>Total Combined Events Competition:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$3,181.82</b>
<b>AA &amp; Other Competitions</b>			
	Carnival Entry Fees	<b>\$759.09</b>	\$13,022.72
	Spectator Entry Fees	<b>\$4,117.00</b>	-
	AA Contribution	<b>\$8,727.27</b>	\$552.18
	Other Championship Revenues	-	\$144.05
<b>Total AA &amp; Other Competitions:</b>		<b>\$13,603.36</b>	<b>\$13,718.95</b>
<b>Total Competition Revenues:</b>		<b>\$23,772.05</b>	<b>\$35,272.36</b>
<b>Note 4</b>	<b>Development Revenues</b>		
	<b>Miscellaneous Development Revenues</b>		
	School Visits Program	-	\$1,142.73
	Other Development Revenues	-	\$36.36
<b>Total Miscellaneous Development Revenues:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,179.09</b>
<b>Total Development Revenues:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,179.09</b>
<b>Note 5</b>	<b>Government Grants</b>		
	Administration Grant	<b>\$14,000.00</b>	\$14,000.00
	Athlete Subsidy	<b>\$914.00</b>	\$5,120.00
	Officials Grant	-	\$10,300.00
<b>Total Government Grants:</b>		<b>\$14,914.00</b>	<b>\$29,420.00</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Sponsorships</b>		
<b>Total Sponsorships:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Note 7</b>	<b>Officials Related Revenue</b>		
	Sale of IAAF Handbooks		
<b>Total Officials Related Revenue:</b>		<b>\$188.66</b>	<b>-</b>
		<b>\$188.66</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Note 8</b>	<b>ACT Team Revenues</b>		
	Entry fees	<b>\$9,300.46</b>	\$11,072.66
	Sale of Uniforms	<b>\$6,787.28</b>	\$2,033.28
	Less cost of uniforms sold	-	-
<b>Total ACT Team Revenues:</b>		<b>\$16,087.74</b>	<b>\$13,105.94</b>
<b>Note 9</b>	<b>Support to Carnivals</b>		
	Provision of Officials	<b>\$9,354.60</b>	\$7,054.59
	Hire of Equipment	<b>\$5,954.51</b>	\$5,875.08
<b>Total Support to Carnivals:</b>		<b>\$15,309.11</b>	<b>\$12,929.67</b>
<b>Note 10</b>	<b>Miscellaneous revenue</b>		
	Interest	<b>\$1,404.23</b>	\$1,178.51
	Other Minor Revenue	<b>\$4,067.19</b>	\$1,124.23
<b>Total Miscellaneous revenue:</b>		<b>\$5,471.42</b>	<b>\$2,302.74</b>

**Note 11 Office Operation Expenses**

Administrative Officer	<b>\$11,920.62</b>	\$38,752.26
Gross Salaries	<b>\$10,804.25</b>	\$35,155.30
Superannuation Guarantee Levy	<b>\$867.33</b>	\$3,099.18
Workers Compensation	<b>\$249.04</b>	\$497.78

**Communications**

Telephone and Fax	<b>\$1,623.10</b>	\$2,276.58
Internet	<b>\$654.00</b>	\$1,449.44
Postage and Freight	<b>\$21.36</b>	\$132.68

<b>Total communications expense:</b>	<b>\$2,298.46</b>	\$3,858.70
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**Other Office Expenses**

Rent	-	\$3,056.00
Photocopying	<b>\$216.80</b>	\$591.68
Consumables	<b>\$34.47</b>	\$53.47
Computer Software & Website	<b>\$3,448.23</b>	\$488.91
Miscellaneous office costs	<b>\$33.87</b>	\$272.90

<b>Total other office expenses:</b>	<b>\$3,733.37</b>	\$4,462.96
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<b>Total Office Operation Expenses:</b>	<b>\$17,952.45</b>	\$47,073.92
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**Note 12 Board of Management Expenses****Travel**

Fares	<b>\$401.80</b>	\$496.99
Accommodation	-	\$97.37
Meals and Entertainment	<b>\$35.45</b>	\$40.91

<b>Total travel expenses:</b>	<b>\$437.25</b>	\$635.27
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**Reimbursements**

Telephone, Fax and Internet	<b>\$72.11</b>	-
Postage and Freight	-	\$50.00
Other Reimbursements	<b>\$266.21</b>	\$991.77

<b>Total reimbursements:</b>	<b>\$338.32</b>	\$1,041.77
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<b>Total Board of Management expenses:</b>	<b>\$775.57</b>	\$1,677.04
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**Note 13 Competition Expenses****Interclub Expense**

Ground Hire Fees	<b>\$6,810.24</b>	\$9,865.92
Other Interclub Expenses	<b>\$733.44</b>	\$474.23

<b>Total Interclub expenses:</b>	<b>\$7,543.68</b>	\$10,340.15
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**ACT T&F Championships**

Ground Hire Fees	<b>\$2,363.64</b>	-
Handbook printing	-	\$218.18
Medals	-	\$6,183.64
Other Championship Expenses	-	\$246.32

<b>Total ACT T&amp;F championships expense:</b>	<b>\$2,363.64</b>	\$6,648.14
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<b>AA &amp; Other Competitions</b>			
	Ground Hire Fees	\$3,197.27	\$2,409.09
	Printing	\$581.77	-
	Catering	\$761.65	\$136.36
	AA Entry Fees	\$327.27	-
	Other Expenses	\$3,482.04	\$66.78
<b>Total AA &amp; other competition expenses:</b>		<b>\$8,350.00</b>	<b>\$2,612.23</b>
<b>Total competition expenses:</b>		<b>\$18,257.32</b>	<b>\$19,600.52</b>
<b>Note 14</b>	<b>Development Expenses</b>		
	<b>Development Officer Expense</b>	<b>\$678.50</b>	-
<b>School Carnival Expenses</b>			
	Meet Manager	\$1,636.36	-
	Officials Payments	\$5,551.81	-
	Other School Carnival Expenses	\$320.19	-
<b>Total schools visit expense:</b>		<b>\$7,508.36</b>	-
<b>Other Development Expenses</b>			
	Reimbursements of Expenses	\$340.91	-
<b>Total Other development expenses:</b>		<b>\$340.91</b>	-
<b>Total development expenses:</b>		<b>\$8,527.77</b>	-
<b>Note 15</b>	<b>Depreciation Expense</b>		
	Office Equipment Depn	\$360.40	\$450.51
	Carnival Equipment Depn	\$2,113.87	\$1,857.94
<b>Total depreciation expense:</b>		<b>\$2,474.27</b>	<b>\$2,308.45</b>
<b>Note 16</b>	<b>Write Off Expense</b>		
	Write Off - Other	\$716.00	-
<b>Total write off expense:</b>		<b>\$716.00</b>	-
<b>Note 17</b>	<b>Officials Expenses</b>		
	Uniforms	\$448.19	\$1,996.45
	Handbooks	\$788.18	-
	Officials Payments	\$1,078.17	\$4,243.62
	Other Officials Expense	\$166.15	\$202.29
<b>Total officials expenses:</b>		<b>\$2,480.69</b>	<b>\$6,442.36</b>
<b>Note 18</b>	<b>ACT Team Expenses</b>		
	Accommodation & Meals	\$3,301.77	\$7,485.45
	AA Entry Fees	\$3,072.73	\$1,672.72
	Uniforms	\$7,334.26	\$2,130.45

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Fares	<b>\$2,110.31</b>	\$4,098.29
Other team expenses	<b>\$210.42</b>	\$1,454.55
<b>Total ACT team expenses:</b>	<b>\$16,029.49</b>	\$16,841.46

**Note 19 Miscellaneous Expenses****Annual Statements Expense**

Audit Fees	<b>\$325.00</b>	\$300.00
Other Annual Statements Expens	<b>\$46.36</b>	\$29.09

<b>Total annual statements expense:</b>	<b>\$371.36</b>	\$329.09
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Meeting Costs	<b>\$7.69</b>	\$45.00
AA Capitation Fees	<b>\$300.00</b>	\$334.00
AA Insurance levy	<b>\$1,650.00</b>	\$1,350.00
Annual Awards Night Expenses	<b>\$2,584.04</b>	\$1,643.55
FaHCSIA Volunteers Fuel Grant	-	\$10,300.00
Bank charges and taxes	<b>\$149.05</b>	\$336.99

**Registration Related Expenses**

Registration Numbers	<b>\$493.26</b>	\$518.40
Other printing costs	<b>\$128.00</b>	\$111.33

<b>Total registration related expense:</b>	<b>\$621.26</b>	\$629.73
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<b>Other Miscellaneous Expenses</b>	<b>\$92.13</b>	\$972.72
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<b>Total miscellaneous expenses:</b>	<b>\$5,775.53</b>	\$15,941.08
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**Note 20 Cash****Cash at bank**

Main Operating Account	<b>\$5,488.63</b>	(\$2,071.24)
Express Saver Account	<b>\$23,096.15</b>	\$48,158.79
St George Term Deposits	<b>\$40,000.00</b>	-

<b>Total cash at bank:</b>	<b>\$68,584.78</b>	\$46,087.55
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**Cash on Hand**

Petty Cash	<b>\$137.67</b>	\$180.27
Cash Drawer	<b>\$440.00</b>	-
Team Cash Float	-	\$1,000.00
Competition Cash Holding	<b>\$214.00</b>	\$729.85

<b>Total cash on hand:</b>	<b>\$791.67</b>	\$1,910.12
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<b>Total cash:</b>	<b>\$69,376.45</b>	\$47,997.67
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**Note 21 Receivables**

General Trade Receivables	<b>\$4,685.40</b>	\$3,375.67
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<b>Total receivables:</b>	<b>\$4,685.40</b>	\$3,375.67
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**Note 22 Prepayments**

<b>Total prepayments:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	-
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**Note 23 Non Current Assets****Office Related**

Gross Value	<b>\$1,505.06</b>	\$1,505.06
Accumulated Depn	<b>(\$810.91)</b>	(\$450.51)

<b>NBV - office related assets:</b>	<b>\$694.15</b>	\$1,054.55
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**General Competition Related**

Gross Value	<b>\$31,429.06</b>	\$27,985.46
Accumulated Depn	<b>(\$22,667.56)</b>	(\$20,553.69)

<b>NBV - carnival related assets:</b>	<b>\$8,761.50</b>	\$7,431.77
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<b>Total non current assets:</b>	<b>\$9,455.65</b>	\$8,486.32
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**Note 24 Inventory****General Inventory**

ACT team uniforms	<b>\$13,129.62</b>	\$13,129.62
Officials uniforms	<b>\$433.95</b>	\$433.95
Medals	<b>\$3,834.55</b>	\$3,834.55

<b>Total other inventory:</b>	<b>\$17,398.12</b>	\$17,398.12
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<b>Total inventory:</b>	<b>\$17,398.12</b>	\$17,398.12
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**Note 25 Creditors**

General trade creditors	-	\$6,023.65
Employee related creditors	<b>\$816.37</b>	\$599.34
Other liabilities	<b>\$2,261.46</b>	\$466.10

<b>Total creditors:</b>	<b>\$3,077.83</b>	\$7,089.09
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**Note 26 Cash Flow Reconciliation**

Net profit/(loss)	<b>\$24,531.50</b>	\$7,651.92
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## Non cash adjustments

Depreciation expense	<b>\$2,474.27</b>	\$2,308.45
Write down expense	<b>\$716.00</b>	-
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	<b>(\$1,309.73)</b>	\$4,670.33
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	<b>(\$4,011.26)</b>	(\$3,676.61)

<b>Total non cash adjustments</b>	<b>(\$2,130.72)</b>	\$3,302.17
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<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>\$22,400.78</b>	\$10,954.09
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## **Media and Publicity Officer Report**

This season the role of media officer has been very much a shared role with our AO, Wendy. Together, Wendy and I have sought to keep members updated with event details, race results, notifications of event changes and highlight National Championship performances.

The revamp of the AACT website was instigated by member dissatisfaction and has been a significant step forward for the association. We hope that you find the new website a user friendly and informative platform that provides you with all necessary information. We encourage all members to subscribe to the site news-feed, which enables news updates to be emailed intermittently to avoid news going unnoticed if members are not accessing the site regularly.

As media officer, it has been my role to be the point of contact for The Canberra Times when our athletes are called upon to feature in local news. This is all very valuable experience for me personally and has provided me with much insight into the news production process, which is the field that I hope to be part of post uni.

Again, I would like to invite all members to send an email at any time detailing news, event information or related athletics material that you would like our website to feature. Members are also very welcome to share personal race/competition reports as feature athlete stories for our site. Please send all such web material to [hannahflannery@hotmail.com](mailto:hannahflannery@hotmail.com)

I'd like to thank Wendy our wonderful Administration Officer for being so efficient and a pleasure to work with. Thanks to my fellow board members Alex, Neil and Laura (who is currently standing in for Andrea) who continue to dedicate themselves to their role (that they are voluntarily passionate about). Thank you to all the volunteers, particularly Gerard Ryan and Mick Morris for everything you continue to do for Athletics ACT. Without you our competition would be non-existent.

I look forward to the season on 2011-2012, by which time I'll have graduated from uni with more time to dedicate to my role of Athletics ACT Media Officer.

Hannah Flannery

## **Cross Country and Road Running Committee Report**

The following report is on behalf of the non-existent 2010 Winter Competition Committee.

At the AACT AGM in May 2010, no Competition Committee Chair was nominated to run the 2010 winter club competition.

Despite there being no competition committee, AACT was still able to conduct a Championship event held jointly with ACT Vets in July 2010 at Weston Park. With some difficulty in receiving assistance from all the clubs, the races were conducted successfully and were used as the basis of selecting a team to compete at the Nationals in August in Brisbane.

While not actually occurring during winter, AACT also hosted the Athletics Australia Selection Trials for the World Cross Country Championship in January 2011. This was held at Stromlo Forest Park and a wide range of people responded to a request for helpers from clubs, the vets and the general community.

Due to the timing of this AGM, plans have already been made with ACT Vets to run the ACT Championships on June 18<sup>th</sup> at Stromlo Forest Park.

It would be reliant on the nomination and election of a Chair at tonight's 2011 AGM for a Winter Competition Committee to be in place to run a club completion for the 2012 Winter season. I believe it is too late for anything to be done during the current 2011 winter season to conduct a club competition.

In August 2011, AACT and ACT School Sport will jointly be conducting the Athletics Australia and School Sport Australia National Championships at Stromlo Forest Park. It would be expected that a significant number of people from all the AACT clubs will assist the Local Organising Committee, in various ways, to conduct a Championship at the required level of professionalism.



Gerard Ryan

## **Cross Country and Road Running Selection Committee Report**

Athletics ACT selected Ian Boyd, Chris Pauling and Paul Torley as the selection panel for the 2010/11 season. The committee made selections for the Australian Mountain Running Championships, the Athletics Australia and Australian All Schools Cross Country Championships and the Australian Marathon Championships. The Selectors also drafted Athletics ACT Selection Policies for the 2010 Australian Mountain Running Championships, the 2010 Athletic Australia Cross Country Championships and the 2010 Australian Marathon Championship.

The Australian Mountain Running Championships were held at Mt Tennant in the ACT on 22 May. Selections were made in the open age divisions for both men and women. Scott McTaggart (NCG) won the gold medal in the open men's championship for the fifth year in six (he did not contest last year's event) while Vanessa Haverd (WC) won the gold medal in the female event. Stuart Doyle (SCT) won the bronze medal in the open men's event. McTaggart and Haverd were both selected to represent Australia in the World Mountain Running championships later in the year.

The Athletics Australia and Australian All Schools Cross Country Championships were held on 21 August in Brisbane. Selections were made in open and under 20 men and open and under 20 women. In addition, as is now the selectors' policy, the selectors did not re-select athletes who had already been named in the School Sport ACT team. Rather, the selectors only selected a small number of athletes registered with Athletics ACT who had not been selected in this team, and in the selectors' opinion, had performed at a sufficiently high level to represent Athletics ACT. In the open male event, Martin Dent (WC) won the gold medal and the team of Dent, Alan Craigie (WC), Anthony Haber (NCG) and Philo Saunders (WC) won the teams bronze medal. In the open female event, the team of Emily Brichacek, Michelle French, Louisa Lobigs and Iona Halliday (all WC) also won the teams bronze medal. There were also some outstanding performances from some of the younger athletes. Callum McClusky (WC) won the silver medal in the 12 years School Sport Australia Cross Country Championships and Joshua Torley (WC) won the gold medal in the 11 years School Sport Australia Cross Country Championships.

The Australian Marathon Championships were held on 10 October in Melbourne. Selections were made in both the male and female divisions. In the male division, Rowan Walker (NCG) was the first Australian (third overall) while Scott McTaggart (NCG) was third Australian (fifth overall). The team of Walker, McTaggart, Michael Chapman (WC) and Julian Dent (NCG) won the team silver. The availability of an assistance package for some State/Territory selected athletes and a renewed emphasis on the importance of State/Territory representation in this championship has partially resolved the difficulty the selectors have noted in the past in finding interested athletes to compete in this championship. The selectors noted some difficulty in the selection process for this event. There were a number of athletes who were unaware of the need to notify the selectors of their interest in selection. The selectors have noted that the re-designed Athletics ACT website may make communication between athletes and selectors more effective.

The same cannot be said for the Australian Half Marathon Championships and this year the selectors received no information on this championship and consequently no selections were made. We are pleased to report, however, that the Australian Half Marathon Championships have been awarded to the Sydney Running Festival for the 2011/12 season and perhaps there may be an assistance package to stimulate State/Territory interest.

The selectors also made recommendations to Athletics ACT on the most outstanding awards for non stadium events in all age divisions.

## Officials Committee Report

I take this opportunity to thank all my fellow officials and volunteers who assisted at the school carnival competitions, High Noon Meets and Summer Series Competitions.

### Schools and Other Non-AACT Competitions

My sincere thanks to Peter Boden for taking on the role of coordinator during this period.

### **Summer Competition**

My sincere thanks to Tracey and Dave Gould who coordinated the officials and volunteers at each of the Summer Competitions including the Junior Championships and combined Senior Championships.

### **High Noon Meets**

My sincere thanks to Dianne Calvert who will be taking on the role of official's coordinator for the 2011 High Noon Meets.

### New Officials

We welcome Daniel Sharman as a new official. Daniel was a volunteer at the National AWD Championships conducted in Canberra. He was inspired to become an official as a result of his experience at this event. With the assistance of Leo Vrendbregt, Alan Bishop, Charlie White and Marnie McPherson who assisted Daniel prepare for his Athletics Australia Jumps C and Throws C examinations. I am pleased to advise that Daniel passed both examinations with great results.

Ian Colquhoun  
Chair AACT Official's Committee

## Race Walking Selection Committee Report

Our 'Walking' year always starts with preparation for and conduct of the Lake Burley Griffin Race Walking Carnival (LBG Carnival), and 2010 was no different. My last minute absence from this year's LBG highlighted the depth, skills and teamwork of our walking officials and volunteers. Not only did they take up the duties I had 'volunteered' for but did so with energy and goodwill. I did manage to arrive incognito and watch the races and organisation and I felt proud of the Committee and the team of volunteers. The President and Vice President of the Federation of Australian Race Walking Clubs later confirmed this impression.

This spirit, competence and professionalism our membership shows by coming together for this weekend was also noticed by the other Clubs who congratulated the ACT Walkers on the conduct of the event.

This coming year will not only see us holding the 45<sup>th</sup> annual LBG but also, in conjunction with AA, the second Federation event in August. For this second event it is assumed assistance is to be sought from ACTA, possibly through AA.

One of the many issues the Committee have been wrestling with is the current Road Closure legislation. This has a dramatic effect on the running of the 20 and 10 mile races in the LBG as the cost to get professionals with the required signage is approximately \$600 per road crossing. The work and discussion to get to where we are for this years event has been magnificent with several of the Committee going to great lengths to see that we get value for money. This discussion will continue post the next LBG and may impact on future events.

Our membership is continuing to grow but there is still a long way to go. As a result of our increased club numbers, fields in ours and other organised events have been the biggest for many years with a number of walkers putting in outstanding performances. Again a big thank you to ACT Veteran Athletic Club who once again have supported us through combined events, equipment loan and volunteers and officials. This is very much appreciated and, although it has been going on for quite some years, it is certainly not taken for granted.

Our walkers have performed extremely well in national level and interstate competitions, while many others have exceeded their own expectations. No matter where they finished in a race, all walkers should congratulate themselves as they have all met their own personal challenges and have upheld the high standards of ACT Walkers and ACTA.

Special mention to Brendon Reading who this year has, in the last few weeks competed in the World Race Walking Challenge, a 20km race in China and done a PB of 1hr 24min. In April 2010 Brendon was invited by the Hong Kong Athletics Association to compete in the Open Elite 10K Road Walk at the annual Hong Kong MTR Race Walking Carnival. He finished 2<sup>nd</sup> to a Chinese walker. In December he competed in the 20K support event at the Australian 50K Championships finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in a time of 1:27.33 which was a 35Sec PB and an "A" qualifying time for the World University Games. February saw him compete in the Australian 20K championships which was also the first leg of the IAAF World Race Walking Challenge and Oceania Championships. With a strong international field, Brendon finished 10<sup>th</sup> in a time of 1:27.30 which was another PB and World University Games qualifier. His performances saw him invited to compete in the Athletics Australia 5K tour event in Sydney in March where he finished sixth in a time of 20:19, a 52 sec PB.

He is currently with three other Australian athletes in Switzerland in a month long High Altitude Training Camp and study with the Australian Institute of Sport. In August he will represent Australian at the World University Games (pending selection). Brendon is also hoping to compete in his first 50K event in Melbourne in December.

With several members either gaining initial qualifications or upgrading during the year they were soon gaining experience with many and varied competitions, from Little Athletics to Veterans. I know all of these new and more seasoned judges gained very valuable experience during the year. I would particularly like to thank the more experienced judges who also gave their time and importantly shared their knowledge and experience with new officials.

Outside the LBG our members helped with and organised many events this year including AA events, ACTLA events, charity events and of course our own domestic competition.

We need to retain and strengthen the balance between competition and a social atmosphere at events with barbeques and afternoon tea. We need to ensure we recruit and retain existing members by providing more than just a race every week.

Due to some outstanding efforts by the Committee and members we are in a better position now with regard to equipment and we are financially solvent. While having the equipment enables us to be almost self-sufficient enough to run an entire event with our own inventory it does have its own problem of storage. We are currently looking at ways of storing the equipment especially those items not used each week.

Mark Worrall

## Technical Committee Report

A big loss to the technical committee and Athletics ACT is the moving away from Canberra of Greg Gilbert. Greg has given many many years to athletics and it be very difficult to replace him with the technical knowledge he posses. He gave much of his time to maintenance of equipment and replacement of equipment. He was also a great support to many in the coaching area especially of AWD. We wish him well for the future.

Another main stay of ACT technical has been Denis Wilson. Who is not standing for the ACT Technical Committee this year, but he will still be involved with the IAAF technical committee and Athletics Australia, facilities and equipment committee. We thank him for his support over many years and hope to see him at some of our ACT meets in the future.

School Carnivals have again been an ongoing officials activity and often the days are long and sometimes there are 2 or 3 carnivals a week. School Carnivals in 2011 are all ready in full swing. In 2010, only a few carnivals here rained out and were then put on again later.

Most of the AA equipment has been moved to Sydney so a full inventory of the ACT and AA equipment is in progress and will be available by the start of the ACT summer season. Once this is completed we will have an idea of any new or repaired equipment required.

Chris Timpson for ACT Technical Committee 2010-2011

## **Track & Field Competition Committee Report**

The season was challenging, with the major event being the hosting of the 2010 Athletics Australia Athletes with a Disability Junior Championships. In addition we again held our Junior Championships over two successive weekends in February and the Open Championships were held jointly with the Veterans over two and a half days of one weekend.

There was a fairly well attended club and officials representative meeting held in May 2010 to discuss permit and non-permit meets, days of competition, timing of meets and event changes. Some major clubs failed to either supply representatives or give their apologies. Early in the season a club representative meeting was held to discuss the concerns about clubs meeting their quotas of helpers and again some clubs failed to be represented. I seriously question what the function of the clubs is when they do not fulfill their responsibilities to help run the competitions they take part in.

The season had 15 competition weeks, an increase from last year with 2 of them being held after the ACT Champs and in the lead up to Nationals. Interestingly, very few of the Nationals bound athletes took part in these last meets due to clashes with other meets they were competing in. There were regular breaks through the season, approximately once per month in line with the last season. There were, as previously, 2 nights of competition held jointly with ACT Vets. Early in the season, due to a lack of availability of Qualified Officials, the throws events were cancelled for one meet. Interestingly this did not draw any comments or complaints from athletes or parents.

We continued with the Friday night initiative from last season with half the meets held on this night of the week. An issue to be addressed is to possibly take all competition to this night of the week. There were occasional comments received to say that having different nights was confusing. With very few competitors this year on any competition night coming from Cooma, Goulburn, Yass and Bega, their attendance should not be the major consideration in the decision about the day of competition. All competitions started at 6:30pm, 30 minutes later than previously to allow competitors and Officials to make the Friday night start time a little easier.

ACT Vets again were generous in their support of the walking community hosting a walk each Thursday. Walkers were still able to compete at Summer Competition but not in designated walking events.

There were no problems on the track with all competition finishing at or slightly before the scheduled time. It could be well argued that this was due to less competitors being present. Requests for additional events from coaches and athletes were done smoothly through the use of emails and publishing changes on the website. I would like to particularly thank the Executive Officer Wendy Pinkerton, and Board member Hannah Flannery for getting information onto the revitalised website promptly. There are some minor issues regarding accessing event information from the website which need to be looked at for next season.

The Open Championships were held with the Vets. AA had set a competition window of 2 weeks for each state to hold their titles and we were thus restricted in dates and this year there was a clash with the Victorian Championships. The actual days ran very well with adequate numbers of Officials and helpers from both groups. From an analysis of results, the numbers of athletes competing was very low with a total of 86 entries in AACT events. Of these entries, 42 were from ACT athletes representing only 29 different athletes (and about 6 of these were juniors). It must be questioned the worth of having a 2.5 day championship for so few athletes.

In addition we held separate nights for the 10km Championship, held jointly with the Vets and the 3/5km held at the end of a normal Summer Competition program. The 5km was exceptional with 39 starters. The 3/5km event was bolstered by ACT Triathlon using it as a lead up race to their Nationals. This, however,



raised the issue about non-registered athletes being allowed to take part in Championship events, which needs to be addressed as an issue for future Championship events, both summer and winter.

The on-line entry system again worked well and the Championship competition program was finalised quickly after entries closed.

I would like to thank the many people who work with dedication for athletics but in particular: Mick Morris who attends to many technical issues around data such as on-line event entries, Pat Birgin who helps create a positive atmosphere at the meets, Greg Gilbert whose technical expertise in setting up the field of play will be missed with his move away from Canberra, Neil and Kerry Boden for their ongoing support of athletics across many groups, Ian Colquhoun who has mentored many of the Officials in Canberra, Michael Thomson who stepped in to act as Chair of the LOC for the Junior AWD Nationals and Dave and Tracey Gould who worked on the roster each week for the Summer Competition.

Issues for the future to be discussed:

1. Lack of support by a majority of athletes to help out running the meets- a perennial problem growing with athletes taking registration through the nebulous AACT 'club'. It was discussed last year at the AGM to have an option of an increased registration fee for those who do not help out and I believe it should be considered as an option.
2. Day of Competition.
3. Open Championship's future as a stand-alone event.
4. Non-registered athletes competing in Championship events.
5. More joint opportunities with Veterans to ease the workload of officials/helpers of both groups. It must be noted that without Linda Taylor and Jane McGlew attending both AACT and Vets competitions basically every week, electronic timing would not be happening for either group. More joint meets would at least assist these two key Officials a little more time for themselves. Norm Mackie is another generous person who makes himself available for both AACT and Vet competition programs.



Gerard Ryan  
Track and Field Competition Committee Chair

## Track & Field Selection Committee Report

### **All Schools 2010:**

A team of 42 athletes were selected to represent the ACT at the 2010 Australian All Schools Championships held at Doncaster Athletics Track Melbourne in December.

Some outstanding performances were:

U16 Womens	4x100 Relay	4 <sup>th</sup>	49.11
Lara	Sinclair	4th 800m	2:22.09
Erin	Prince	4th Discus	37.70
Angus	Gould	2nd LJ	7.01

### **Australian Junior Championships - Sydney March 2011**

A team of 44 athletes were selected to represent the ACT at the Australian Underage Championships held in Sydney, March 2011.

Thirteen medals were won by the ACT team as well as many top 5 finishes. This is a great result for the team, which included quite a few athletes attending their first senior Australian Championships. Here is a brief look at our ACT top 5 results:

**Sophie Greig** placed 4th in Under 20 800m in 2:14.42 after qualifying 2nd in the preliminaries in a time of 2:14.68.

The ACT Under 20 Women 4 x 400m Relay team of **Rachel Carnegie, Natalie Tanks, Dimity Herstick** and **Sophie Greig** came 5th.

**Chloe Jamieson** placed 1st in Under 18 400m hurdles in a time of 60.37 in a thrilling race with 5 athletes chasing World Junior selection.

**Stephanie Pollard** placed 4th in the Under 17 100m in 12.33 after qualifying second in 12.27. In the 100m hurdles, Stephanie placed 4th in a time of 14.55 after qualifying 3rd in 14.63.

**Natalie Archer** came 5th in the Under 17 3000m and 4th in the 2000m Steeplechase.

**Erin Prince** placed 2nd in the Under 17 Discus with a throw of 41.17m.

**Elizabeth Hosking** placed 3rd in the Under 17 5000m Race Walk in 25:38.24.

**Maddison McGarry** came 3rd in the Under 16 400m in 57.90 after also qualifying third in 58.21.

**Bridget Reilly** had a very successful meet, placing 1st in both the 800m (2:13.06) and 1500m (4:39.19) in Under 16.

**Hannah McClusky** placed 3rd in the Under 16 3000m in 10:16.18.

**Nicola Torley** came 4th in the Under 16 2000m Steeplechase.

**Kayla Sadler** placed 4th in the Under 15 100m in 12.97 after also qualifying 4th in 12.90.

**Zoe Hunt** placed 5th in the Under 15 3000m Race Walk in 15:14.74.

**Angus Gould** placed 2nd in the Under 18 Long Jump in 6.99m

**Jack Walters** placed 3rd in the Under 17 Triple Jump in a jump of 12.75m. In the same event, **Rowan Vergano** came 5th with a jump of 12.05m.

**Harry Bates** came 3rd in the Under 17 5000m Race Walk in a time of 23:22.61.

**Reilly Shaw** placed 2nd in the Under 17 2000m Steeplechase in 6:13.76.

**Cameron Nicholls** placed 4th in the Under 17 400m in a time of 51.19 after qualifying 7th in 50.74.

**Reuban Caley** placed 5th in the Under 16 Steeplechase in a time of 6:44.99.

**Lachlan Baynham** came 4th in the Under 15 Discus with a throw of 15 46.31m.

Thank you,

Track & Field Selection Committee 2010 – 2011 (Paul Torley & Kathy Southgate)

## 2010/2011 Annual Awards Presentation Nominees

### Outstanding Athlete

Each award is presented to the most outstanding male and female athlete in each age group taking into account performances at International, National and State events. Awards are presented to athletes in age groups from Under 14 to Open, in both CC&RR and T&F competition.

#### Cross Country & Road Running

##### **Open Men Nominations**

Martin Dent (WC)  
Erwin McRae (NCG)  
Scott McTaggart (NCG)  
Michael Chapman (WC)  
Rowan Walker (NCG)  
Alan Craigie (WC)  
Philo Saunders (WC)  
Brendon Reading (NCG)

##### **Open Female Nominations**

Sarah McRae (WH)  
Vanessa Haverd (WC)  
Emily Brichacek (WC)  
Ann Staunto-Jugovic (SCT)

##### **Under 20 Male Nominations**

Brett Robinson (WC)  
Alex Tridgell (WH)

##### **Under 20 Female Nominations**

Betsy Anderson-Smith (SCT)  
Lucinda Bek (NCG)

##### **Under 18 Male Nominations**

Patrick Adams (QBN)  
Harry Bates (SCT)

##### **Under 18 Female Nominations**

Sarah Lonsdale (NCG)  
Sophie Greig (NCG)  
Rebecca Collis (NCG)  
Isabelle Scott (QBN)  
Emily Ryan (WH)

##### **Under 16 Male Nominations**

Lachlan Calvert (NCG)  
Reuben Caley (WC)  
Jarrett Anthony (WH)  
Reilly Shaw (NCG)  
Harry Bates (SCT)

##### **Under 16 Female Nominations**

Nicola Torley (WC)  
Anna McCormack (SCT)  
Bridget Reilly (SCT)  
Natalie Archer (WH)  
Elizabeth Hosking (SCT)

##### **Under 14 Male Nominations**

Callum McClusky (WC)  
Ben Watson (NCG)  
Joel Findlay (NCG)

##### **Under 14 Female Nominations**

Rebekah Sawkins (WC)  
Olivia Fogarty (WC)  
Caitlin Hosking (SCT)  
Zoe Hunt (NCG)

Track & Field**Open Male Nominations**

Brendan Cole (QBN/ACTAS)  
 Tim Driesen (AACT)  
 Hamish MacDonald (AACT)  
 Damien Bowen (QBN)  
 Brett Robinson (WC)

**Open Female Nominations**

Lauren Boden (NCG/ACTAS)  
 Melissa Breen (WH/ACTAS)  
 Kerrie Perkins (QBN)  
 Jessica Penney (NCG)  
 Louise Ellery (NCG)  
 Kelsey Lee Roberts (SCT)

**Under 20 Male Nominations**

Brett Robinson (WC)

**Under 20 Female Nominations**

Sophie Greig (NCG)  
 Rachael Carnegie (NCG)

**Under 18 Male Nominations**

Angus Gould (NCG)  
 Jack Walters (NCG)  
 Lachlan Calvert (NCG)  
 Reilly Shaw (NCG)  
 Cameron Nicholls (NCG)  
 Jonathan Tammen (SCT)

**Under 18 Female Nominations**

Chloe Jamieson (Bega)  
 Stephanie Pollard (QBN)  
 Natalie Archer (WH)  
 Erin Prince (WH)  
 Elizabeth Hosking (SCT)  
 Natalie Tanks (SCT)

**Under 16 Male Nominations**

Lachlan Baynham (SCT)  
 Reuben Caley (WC)  
 Ben Watson (NCG)  
 Cameron Nicholls (NCG)  
 Jack Walters (NCG)  
 Nicholas Vecchi (NCG)

**Under 16 Female Nominations**

Maddison McGarry (NCG)  
 Nicola Torley (WC)  
 Erika Vredembregt (NCG)  
 Bridget Reilly (SCT)  
 Hannah McClusky (WC)  
 Caitlin Hosking (SCT)  
 Kayla Sadler (QBN)  
 Anna McCormack (SCT)  
 Erin Prince (WH)  
 Zoe Hunt (NCG)

**Under 14 Male Nominations**

Callum McClusky (WC)  
 Joshua Torley (WC)  
 Thomas Hopkins (QBN)  
 Ben Watson (NCG)  
 Lachlan Baynham (SCT)

**Under 14 Female Nominations**

Leila Basic (AACT)  
 Rachel Alchin (WH)  
 Cassandra Hopkins (QBN)

**Individual Interclub Point Score Champion**

This award is presented to the AACT athlete who accumulates the greatest number of points at the Interclub Track and Field competitions conducted during the season and the ACT Championship events.

**Winner 2010/2011 – Erika Vredembregt – 893 points**

**Canberra Medal**

Canberra Medals are awarded to AACT first-claim registered athletes who, in any particular open event, either equal or better the standards set by AACT. Wind assisted performances will not be taken into account. An athlete may not win more than one medal in any season but all medal winning performances will be recognised on the award. The standards will be reassessed each even year.

<b>Lauren Boden</b>	<b>Event</b> <b>400m H</b>	<b>Time</b> <b>55.25s</b>	<b>Standard</b> <b>(56.85s)</b>	<b>May 2010, Osaka Japan</b>
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**The Dot Mills Award - Official Of The Year**

This inaugural award was initiated in 2009 to recognise the outstanding work carried out by AACT Officials during the summer Track & Field season.

**Daryl Cross Trophy  
Coach Of The Year**

The award is presented to the outstanding coach of athletes in the ACT. Consideration for the award will be given only to coaches who are members of the Australian Track and Field Coaches Association or AACT.

Nominations  
Matt Beckenham  
Philo Saunders

**Brain Gleeson Trophy  
Junior Coach of The Year**

The award is presented to the outstanding coach of junior athletes in the ACT. Consideration for the award will be given only to coaches who are members of the Australian Track and Field Coaches Association or AACT.

Nominations  
Kathy Southgate  
Garry Hosking  
John Hunt  
Alan Bishop  
Dennis Goodwin  
Val Chesterton  
Suzie Fulop  
Gerard Ryan

**Coach of Athletes with a Disability**

The award is presented to the outstanding coach of athletes with a disability in the ACT. Consideration for the award will be given only to coaches who are members of the Australian Track and Field Coaches Association or AACT.

Nominations  
Alison O'Riordan  
June Ellery  
Chris Timpson

**Mick Dowling Trophy  
Outstanding Athlete with a Disability**

This award is presented to the outstanding athlete with a disability taking into consideration performances against world and national records for any athlete with any classification of disability.

Nominations  
Louise Ellery  
Hamish MacDonald  
Damien Bowen  
Katherine Proudfoot  
Erinn Walters  
Wade McMahon

**Encouragement Award  
for an Athlete With A Disability**

The award is presented to an athlete with a disability who has come into the sport of track and field. In selecting the winner consideration is given to performances as well as commitment to training and participation in Interclub events.

Nominations  
Adam Cunningham  
Jack Dirou

**Joan Cross Trophy  
Outstanding Senior Woman Sprinter**

This award is presented to the outstanding female sprinter in the Open age group.

Nominations  
Melissa Breen

**Senator Margaret Reid Trophy  
Outstanding Junior Club Athlete**

This award is presented to the outstanding junior athlete, generally in the Under 20 age group but for outstanding performances during the previous season may be presented to an Under 18 athlete.

Nominations  
Brett Robinson  
Sophie Greig  
Harry Bates

**Global Award  
Athlete of the Year**

The Association Award is presented to the most outstanding athlete in the ACT taking into account all performances.

Nominations  
Martin Dent  
Louise Ellery  
Brett Robinson  
Lauren Boden  
Melissa Breen  
Brendan Cole