

# Annual Report 2013-2014

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# **Board Of Management**

# President

Neil Boden

#### Directors

Andrea Ilakovac– Finance Director Hannah Walmsley – Communications Chris Butler - Administration Jenny Price - Development Jeff Grey – Competitions (Cross Country, Race Walking) Phil Alchin – Competitions (Track & Field)

#### **Executive Officer**

Wendy Olsen (to April 2014) Ben Offereins (from April 2014)

#### **Development Officer**

Alex van der Meer Simo (from September 2013)

#### **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 Greg Gilbert\* Mr John Harding Mr Owen Heness Mr Dave Hobson Dr Eugene Magassy\* Mrs Dot Mills\* Mr Michael Morris Mr Gerard Ryan Mr Tom Stead 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\* \* Deceased Mr John Gilbert Mr Laurie Keaton Mrs Dot Mills\* Mr John Muir Mr Peter Waddell\*

#### **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**

Registrar Records Officer Technical Manager & Equipment Officer Media & Publicity Officer Statistician Honorary Auditor Member Protection Information Officer ACT Olympic Council

Track & Field Competition Committee Chair Track & Field Competition Committee

Cross Country & Road Running Competition Committee

Officials Committee Track & Field Selection Committee

Cross Country & Road Running Selection Committee

Development Committee Race Walking Selection Committee

Records and Awards Committee Technical Committee Mick Morris Michael Reading Chris Timpson Hannah Walmsley Mick Morris Mick Morris Wendy Olsen Bronwyn Fagan

Gerard Ryan Dianne Calvert Ryan Young Phil Alchin Jeff Grey Erwin McRae Dianne Calvert Kylie Barsley Kylie McClung Alex van der Meer Simo Ian Boyd Erwin McRae Scott Imhoff Robin Whyte Peter Boden Doug Fitzgerald Michael Reading Chris Timpson Wayne Thomas **Owen Heness** 



#### **Annual General Meeting**

Athletics

6.00pm, Friday 3 May 2013 Hellenic Club of Canberra Matilda St WODEN ACT 2606

MINUTES

# Meeting commenced at 6:00pm

# 1. Welcome

Neil Boden (Board/NCG), Chris Timpson (JTS), Owen Heness (NCG), Chris Butler (Board/AACT), Peter Boden (Race Walking Selection Committee), Martin Dent (WC), Erwin Mcrae (NCG), Gerard Ryan (WH), Jenny Price (JTS), Jane McGlew (SCT), Phil Alchin (AACT), Rowan Vergano (NCG), Kerry Boden (NCG), Rachelle Ellis-Brownlee (ACTVAC), Cathy Tanks (AACT), Michael Reading (NCG), Tracy Gould (NCG), David Gould (NCG), Ryan Young (SCT), Ian Boyd (WH), Michaela Vergano (NCG), Val Chesterton (ACT Race Walkers), Hannah Flannery (SCT), Alex Gosman (President/NCG), Jeff Grey (ACTVAC), Wendy Pinkerton (Admin Officer), Tony Reilly (ACTLA), Robin Whyte (ACT Race Walkers), Andrea Ilakovac (WC), Alan Bishop (ATFCA-ACT, SCT), Pete Sinfield (NCG), Kylie Barsley (AACT)

# 2. Apologies

Mick Morris (SCT), Dave Hobson (Life Member), Wayne Thomas, Terry Sheales, Patsy Sheales, Bryan McCarthy (WH),

# 3. Confirmation of 2012 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Proposed Minutes be accepted. Moved. Chris Timpson. Seconded: Gerard Ryan. Carried

# 4. Business Arising From Previous Minutes

None

# 5. Reports

# 5.1 President

Report tabled and presented by Alex Gosman.

- The ACT's representatives in London did us all proud with a number of personal bests and it was great to see a number of our AWD athletes return with medals. A highlight of the year was the function hosted by the ACT Minister for Sport and Recreation, Andrew Barr, farewelling our athletes to London and the passionate speeches by a number of our representatives.
- Chris Butler talked of the Strategic Plan and the new pillars. Have meet some targets already. Can be updated and asked for feedback from members.
- Implemented a successful athlete support program, the Emerging Athlete Scholarship program. Applications will open again in 2013-2014.
- Hosted major events with the Australian AWD Jnr Champs and World Selection XC Trials along with officials support for the Australian Masters Championships and Australian Little Athletics Championships.
- AACT Board has looked at approaches to revamp the competition structure and this year introduced three new events: "The Runners Shop 3km", "The Runners Shop Mile" and a combined event in January. All were extremely well patronised and we expect that they will continue as annual events. The Bolt 100 metre fun run was well attended. We encourage members to come forward with suggestions.
- The AACT Board continues to assist the JTS in developing a sustainable coaching structure that will be crucial to the growth of the sport and attracting new athletes. JTS and AACT have made a further submission to the ACT Government for funding under the Inclusiveness Program which will provide ongoing support to our local AWD athletes.

- AACT, along with other ACT athletic bodies has been involved in discussions with the ACT Government over the construction of a Southside track. Whilst our preference is for a new track at Stromlo financial considerations make this unlikely. Therefore if a new track is to be built at the existing Woden facility AACT is keen to ensure that the track is to IAAF standard and has the appropriate standard of facilities.
- Unfortunately there has not been much work in the Development area but there are plans in place to work with ACT Little Athletics with a joint development role.
- Athletics Australia are working on a common digital platform for the States. The ASC has proposed merger between AA & ALA. Sports are going to have to take more responsibility on High Performance with the Winning Edge.
- Thanks to the Board, volunteers, Gerard and Chris for their support.

# 5.2 Finance Report

Report tabled and presented by Andrea Ilakovac.

- Athletics ACT made a surplus of \$36,729 for the year ended 31 December 2012. This was up from surplus of \$24,363 in 2011. This surplus was again largely driven by an increase in grant funding received throughout the year.
- Total revenue for the year was up by \$48,194 from the 2011 financial year. This significant increase is largely explained by the \$25,000 and \$9,000 Participating Funding Grants received from Athletics Australia and the ACT Government, respectively.
- The increase in revenue was matched by an increase in expenditure. Total expenditure was up by \$35,828 from the 2011 financial year. This increase in expenditure was largely due to the distribution of grant funds received to eligible clubs and individuals. I also note that overall expenditure on facility hire fees for the High Noon & Summer Series competition events was down by approximately \$4,000 from the 2011 financial year.
- The Association's financial position has again shown significant improvement during 2012 and steady cash reserves continue to generate good interest income through term deposits.

# 5.3 Cross Country & Road Running Competition Committee

Report tabled and presented by Gerard Ryan.

- As has been the case over the last few years, at the AACT AGM in May 2012, no Competition Committee Chair was nominated to run a 2012 winter club competition.
- Despite there being no competition committee, AACT was still able to conduct a Club Cross Country Championship event held jointly with ACT Vets on June 16<sup>th</sup> 2012 at Stromlo Forest Park. The races were conducted efficiently and successfully with volunteer helpers from both groups and were used as the basis of selecting a team to compete at the Nationals in August held in Adelaide. There were 74 athletes from AACT and 27 athletes from ACTVAC competing on the day.
- In January 2013 AACT hosted the Selection Trial on behalf of Athletics Australia for the Australian team to compete at the World Cross Country in Poland. Scotty Imhoff from Weston Creek AC and I were the Local Organising Committee and along with officials from the ACT and interstate, and a healthy number of volunteers from AACT clubs, ACTVAC and the Canberra YMCA Runners Club a very successful competition was held.

# 5.4 Cross Country and Road Racing Selection Committee

Report tabled and presented by Ian Boyd

• The Australian Mountain Running Championships were held at Hobart, Tasmania on 29 April. Only a female team was selected and the four ACT representatives filled the first four places – Jessamy Hosking (SCT, 1st), Melissa Clarke (WH, 2nd), Vanessa Haverd (SCT, 3rd) and Elizabeth Humphries (WC, 4th). These four athletes were selected in the Australian team to contest the World Mountain Running

Championships in Italy on 2 September. Louise Sharp (NCG) replaced Vanessa in the team that competed in this event. In the male division of the Australian championship, Mark Bourne (WH) won the silver medal. Mark was selected in the Australian team for the World Championships but did not compete.

- The Athletics Australia and Australian All Schools Cross Country Championships were held on 25 August in Adelaide. Selections were made in open and under 20 men and open women. In the younger age groups, 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.
- The Australian Half Marathon Championships were held on 16 September in Sydney. Selections were made in the male division only but some late withdrawals due to injury and unavailability resulted in a weakened team with no significant results.
- The Australian Marathon Championships were held on 14 October in Melbourne. Selections were made in both the male and female divisions although there were only two females. Erwin McRae (NCG) was the second Australian (fifth overall).

# 5.5 Officials Committee

Report tabled and presented by Dianne Calvert

- High Noon Competitions were conducted over 9 Sunday sessions from May to September. Dianne Calvert recruited officials and volunteers for the sessions. Some key officials were away during most of this period due to the Olympics and Paralympics; however, it provided good opportunities for others to work on their current or newly acquired skills. With an average of 40 per session, all Clubs were well represented and included parents of Little Athletes.
- During this period Ian Colquhoun offered training courses at which 17 trainee officials attended; 10 have completed the exam to attain their level C qualification.
- AACT provided officials by the dozen for the ACT school carnivals for zone and championship level to referee and oversee the competition run by school based event chiefs and judges; Sue Knight, ACT School Sport Convener provided positive post event feedback from school managers about the very professional conduct of the carnivals.
- Wendy Pinkerton looked after organising officials and volunteers for the summer program. Competition ran over 16 sessions, mostly Friday evenings, several Saturday afternoons and some Thursday night joint sessions with ACTVAC when the track was booked for other events.
- A number of AACT officials worked with Athletics Australia at the AIS for the AWD Junior Championships. Across a range of track and field events, it was a good opportunity for experience on a national AWD event.
- The ACT Combined Events Championships was conducted over Sun/Monday of the Australia Day weekend. 38 officials and volunteers worked over the 2 event.
- This season the two championships were combined to make better and considerate use of resources and officials' time. A number of new officials were able to put their skills into practice.
- The Australian Masters National Championships was resourced by many ACT officials. The days were very full and a satisfying event for many as they assisted and officiated for the Masters athletes by the hundreds ranging from mid-30s to late 80s. Again it was another opportunity for some officials who were training up for the ALAC National Multi Event Championships in Canberra on April 28th.

# 5.6 Race Walking Selection Committee

- The winter walks selection committee had only one task to select athletes for the Australian Road Walking Championships which were held in Adelaide on 26 August 2012, where 8 athletes were selected. While there are no AA standards applied to participate in the Australian Road Walking Championships, for the purpose of arriving at an acceptable criteria for consideration for selection in a State team, we used the Standards set by AA for the summer championships.
- The best performed members of the team were, Brendon Reading 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Open Mens 20k, Callum Burns 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Boys U14 3k, Gabby Hunt 4<sup>th</sup> in the Girls U14 3k and Ashleigh Resch 6<sup>th</sup> in the Girls U16 5k.

# 5.7 Technical Officer and Equipment Manager

Reported Tabled and presented by Chris Timpson.

- Paid respects to Greg Gilbert
- Wayne Thomas and Chris Timpson will be stepping down from Technical Committee after next season.
- Went through job description of Technical Manager. Ask that members think about joining the committee this season.
- Completed inventory of equipment

# 5.8 Technical Committee

Reported Tabled and presented by Chris Timpson.

- This season has been another big year in the technical area with some 24 school carnivals, high noon meets and ACT interclub track and field competitions plus Australian Masters games in all 5 days. The Australian AWD junior championships, Summer down under series and the Australian little Athletics championships.
- Thanked Wayne Thomas and Rowan Vergano for their support. Rowan has learnt much of the technical side of athletics but as an athlete himself this has enhanced his knowledge at field events both as an official and a technical person and believe the school competitions needed all the help we could give them.

# 5.9 Track & Field Competition Committee

Report tabled and presented by Gerard Ryan.

- Thank you to Wendy and Dianne for organising officials at summer series and Dianne for High Noon Meets.
- Mix of Friday & Saturday night comps worked well
- New events well received, including the 100m Bolt. Can incorporate 400m challenge in next season
- Great relationships with Vets and thanks to the Walks Club for their support in holding walks competition
  on behalf of AACT.

# 5.10 Track & Field Selection Committee

Report tabled and presented by Cathy Tanks.

- A team of 71 athletes were then selected to represent the ACT at the Australian All Schools Championships held in Hobart from 30<sup>th</sup> November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2012. 54 accepted the offer and headed down to Hobart. This year's team also included quite a few athletes attending their first senior Australian Championships.
- The changed system of taking nominations/EOI on the day of the ACT Schools Champs appeared to have been favourable with 112 applications received. A major issue though, was with the timing of the ACT Schools Championships being held only 2 ½ weeks before the team departure. This is an extremely tight timeframe in which to select a team, notify athletes, prepare the necessary arrangements and get entries into Athletics Australia. Not to mention the difficulty for families to organise flights and get payments done in such a short time. We believe a similar set up is already in place for the end of this year and this is urgently required to be looked at for this year's All Schools Team. Whilst this year an extra week is granted, this really is still not adequate.
- The selection committee received 63 nominations for the Australian Junior Champiosnhips in Perth. We encountered a few hiccups with the EOI forms and lack of information from athletes. Suggestions for next year have been made to perhaps make the EOI nominations an on-line process. This may enable performance information to be filled in correctly and more fully. This can be investigated further in preparation for next year's event.
- Selections were tough and geared for maintaining the high standard that this competition is. The selection Committee also received a substantial amount of correspondence relating to non-selection of athletes. Much time was spent deliberating over these and some tough decisions were made. Families were notified of their individual outcomes. A team of 53 athletes were selected, with 43 accepting.

• The ACT team again, performed admirably with 21 medals taken home as well as many top 4 finishes.

Reports moved by Chris Timpson, seconded by: Neil Boden

# 6. Financial Statement of Accounts

Report tabled as above. Jenny Price, seconded by: Gerard Ryan Motion: Carried.

# 7. Election of Office Bearers

#### 7.1 President

Neil Boden nominated and elected for 2 years.

#### 7.2 Finance Director

Andrea llakovac nominated and elected for 2 years.

#### 7.3 General Board of Directors

Neil Boden, Hannah Flannery, Jenny Price, Jeff Grey, Chris Butler renominated and elected for 2 years.

# 7.4 Track & Field Competition Committee Chair – 1 year

Gerard Ryan renominated and elected for 1 year term.

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

NCG – Dianne Calvert nominated and elected for 1 year term QBN - vacant position, no nominees SCT – Ryan Young nominated and elected for 1 year term WC – vacant position, no nominees AACT – Phil Alchin nominated and elected for 1 year term

#### 7.5 Track & Field Selection Committee

- 7.5.1 Kylie Barsley nominated and elected for 1 year term.
- 7.5.2 Cathy Tanks nominated and elected for 1 year term.

# 7.6 Cross Country & Road Running Competition Committee Chair

7.6.1 Erwin McRae nominated and elected for a 1 year term.

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

- 7.7.1 Ian Boyd nominated and elected for 1 year term.
- 7.7.2 Erwin McRae nominated and elected for a 1 year term.

#### 7.8 Race Walking Selection Committee

- 7.8.1 Peter Boden nominated and elected for 1 year term
- 7.8.2 Robin Whyte nominated and elected for 1 year term
- 7.8.3 Doug Fitzgerald nominated and elected for 1 year term

#### 7.9 Awards Committee

7.9.1 Michael Reading nominated and elected for 1 year term.

# 7.10 Officials Committee

7.10.1 Dianne Calvert nominated and elected for 1 year term

# 7.11 Technical Committee

- 7.11.1 Chris Timpson nominated and elected for 1 year term.
- 7.11.2 Owen Heness nominated and elected for 1 year term.

7.11.3 Wayne Thomas nominated and elected for 1 year term.

# 7.12 Member Protection Information Officer

Wendy Pinkerton nominated and elected for 1 year term.

# 7.13 Registrar

Mick Morris nominated and elected for 1 year term.

#### 7.14 Records Officer

Michael Reading nominated and elected for a 1 year term.

# 7.15 Technical Manager & Equipment Officer

Chris Timpson nominated an elected for a 1 year term.

# 7.16 Media and Publicity Officer

Hannah Flannery nominated and elected for a 1 year term.

# 7.17 Statistician

Mick Morris nominated and elected for 1 year term.

#### 7.18 Honorary Auditor

Mick Morris nominated and elected for 1 year term.

# 7.19 Delegates to ACT Olympic Council

- 7.19.1 Bronwyn Fagan nominated and elected for a 1 year term.
- 7.19.2 Neil Boden. President becomes second delegate.

#### 7.20 Public Officer

Neil Boden. President fills this position.

# 8. General Business

AIS Track due to be resurfaced in November. Competition committee will look at what we will do when the track is resurfaced

Meeting closed at 6.55pm.

# **President's Report**

I have much pleasure in presenting my first annual report as President of Athletics ACT (AACT) and I can certainly verify that 2013-14 has been a busy and positive year. My report below will follow the format of my monthly 'messages' where I comment on the association's performance against our five Key Result Areas (KRAs) in AACT Strategic Plan 2013-16.

#### Leadership

The Board of Management has ensured that the association maintains a positive financial position and the audited Financial Statements provided in the Annual Report show a healthy Operating Profit of \$20,028. Through the efforts of our Executive Officer, Wendy Olsen, members have had access to a regular stream of communications via e-newsletters, facebook and/or the website. In addition Wendy has maintained excellent communications with our key stakeholders, in particular Athletics Australia and the ACT Government's Sport and Recreation Services.

A significant activity during most of 2013 was a proposed AA/ALA merger, an initiative driven by the ASC in an attempt to see athletics operating as a single national sport. While ALA decided to discontinue the merger process in late 2013 LAACT Chairman, Tony Reilly, and I agreed that our two organisations could do more together, especially for our junior athletes in the U14-17 age groups, and this desire to develop a closer partnership was reflected in an historical joint AACT/LAACT Board meeting in February. In a similar vein AACT is currently negotiating with ACTVAC around a possible affiliation following the significant signing of a MoU between AA and AMA in December 2013.

In March 2014 the BoM held a key strategic planning forum focusing on key issues under each of the KRAs. One of the critical observations was a lack of governance around the various committees and their communication with the AACT Board. Of particular concern was the performance of the Competition Committee caused mainly by the lack of support from many of the clubs. Members acknowledged the absolutely critical importance of this committee and suggested a more relevant group of representatives including athletes, coaches, officials, clubs and the Board.

#### Participation

In September 2013 AACT welcomed the appointment of Alex van der Meer Simo as Development/Participation Officer (DPO), a joint role with AACT and Little Athletics ACT. The filling of this position was seen as a key strategic move in implementing new initiatives aimed at increasing participation among both able-bodied athletes and para-athletes. One of Alex's immediate success stories was his work at the school athletics carnivals resulting in a big team of 77 athletes travelling to Townsville to compete in the 2013 Australian All Schools Championships where the team performed with great distinction. Pleasingly, this momentum flowed through to the Australian Junior Championships in March 2014 where the ACT fielded its biggest team ever with 100 athletes competing in the blue and yellow colours. This team won an outstanding 37 medals and all athletes should be proud of their performances both on and off the field.

#### **Development**

Alex has made a positive impact during his 6 months in the DPO role and in conjunction with LAACT will focus his attention in 2014 on increasing participation numbers through visits to Primary & Secondary schools in Canberra and surrounding NSW regional areas, the transition of athletes from Little A's to Seniors, partnerships with the two universities and working with other sports, in particular the four football codes.

Coaches are the life blood of our sport and Alex has had a focus in this area, initially developing a database of active coaches in the ACT and more recently arranging several coaching courses and conducting some personal development courses on basic athletics for primary and secondary teachers.

I am pleased to report that AACT has continued to support its Emerging Athlete Scholarship (EAS) Program and five junior members were awarded scholarships from a strong field of applicants. AACT is currently negotiating with the South Eastern Regional Academy of Sport (SERAS) around a partnership arrangement to provide support to junior athletes in our regional NSW clubs.

#### Competitions

I am pleased to report that AACT delivered an effective track and field competition structure for all members through its popular 'High Noon' winter series and the Summer Series, the latter covering the October 2013 to March 2014 period. In this regard my thanks go to our relatively small Competition Committee comprising Gerard Ryan, Dianne Calvert, Phil Alchin and Ryan Young. Two key events highlighted our summer season:

(i) ACT Combined Event Championships and All Comers Meet – thanks to the efforts of our hard working coordinator, Dianne Calvert, AACT hosted a successful 2-day event on 1-2 February. 26 athletes competed in the multi-event championships and while this number was less than expected the 104 competitors who participated in the All Comers events made for a busy weekend.

(ii) ACT Open & Junior T&F Championships – this was a huge weekend on 7-9 February with a massive 271 entries including 100 competitors from interstate. The athletes enjoyed 3 days of hot and mostly still conditions and produced a number of tremendous performances - the highlight being Mel Breen's 11.11s 100m heat run on the Sunday where she broke Melinda Gainsford-Taylor's 20-year old Australian Record.

At this point I must extend a huge 'thank you' to our many dedicated officials, volunteers, supporters and helpers who did a marvelous job throughout the year in helping to conduct our events in a professional and friendly manner. Interstate athletes continue to support our meets in big numbers and this very much reflects your expertise, passion and energy for our sport.

Congratulations go to the following elite-level para and able-bodied athletes who represented the ACT with great distinction at world championships during 2013:

- 2013 IPC World Championships Katherine Proudfoot, Louise Ellery, Erinn Walters, Jayden Sawyer, Richard Nicholson; and
- 2013 World Athletics Championships Lauren Wells (nee Boden), Melissa Breen and Martin Dent.

I remain disappointed that we still have no winter competition however I am buoyed by the recent efforts of a small working party investigating options for the reintroduction of a winter ex-stadia 'team premiership' series in 2015 incorporating some of the events currently conducted by the YMCA Canberra Runners Club.

#### **Promotion and Partnerships**

AACT has continued to enjoy an excellent working relationship with our key stakeholders Athletics Australia and ACT Sport and Recreation, in the latter case highlighted by the development of a new synthetic athletics track at Woden Park which should be 'open for business' by the start of the 2014-15 summer track season.

On the media front our thanks go to Board Member Hannah Walmsley (nee Flannery), who through her work with ABC Radio has seen athletics in general and AACT athletes in particular, receive excellent coverage through features and interviews on ABC 'Grandstand' and regular results and performances broadcast on FM106.3 and 104.7. Hannah's contacts in the printed media have also helped in having a number of feature articles published in 'The Canberra Times.'

In 2013 athletics in Canberra lost three iconic figures in Greg Gilbert, Dot Mills and Alan Bishop. These three tireless devotees of our sport each contributed over 40 years to athletics in a variety of roles as officials, coaches and administrators and they are a tremendous loss to our sport in both the local and national

context. Greg, Dot and Alan were all life members of the South Canberra-Tuggeranong Athletic Club. All three members are sadly missed and our condolences are extended to their family and friends.

I would like to extend a huge vote of thanks to our outgoing Executive Officer, Wendy Olsen, who leaves after four and half years' service with AACT. The dedication and passion demonstrated by Wendy in her role has greatly enhanced the profile of our association in the Canberra sporting community and I have no doubts that our new Executive Officer, Ben Offereins, will continue in a similar vein.

Finally let me express my sincere thanks to my colleagues on the Board of Management, Andrea, Hannah, Jenny, Chris, Phil and Jeff, who have provided great support to me in my first year in the President's role.

Neil Boden President



# **Finance Directors Report**

Athletics ACT made a surplus of \$20,028 for the year ended 31 December 2013. This was down from a surplus of \$36 729 in 2012. The overall surplus was again largely driven by grant funding received throughout the year.

Total revenue for the year was up by \$13,784 from the 2012 financial year. This increase is largely explained by a \$31,451 increase in T & F Competition Revenues, predominately All Schools Championships Revenues. The increase was however marginally offset by a \$17,844 decrease in grants from Athletics Australia.

The increase in revenue was matched by and equal increase in expenditure. Total expenditure was up by \$30,485 from the 2012 financial year. The increase in expenditure was largely driven by Competition Expenses predominately All Schools Championships Expenses. I also note that Officie Operation Expenses increased by \$8,473 from the 2012 financial year.

In summary, the Associations financial position has again shown steady growth during 2013 and cash reserves continue to generate 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 2013.

Andrea Ilakovac Finance Director



# ACT Athletics Association Profit & Loss Statement

for the year ending December 2013



	Notes	Budget	2013	2012
Revenues				
Registration Revenue	2	\$27,857	\$26,685	\$27,857
T&F Competition Revenues	3	\$48,390	\$79,841	\$48,390
Development Revenues	4	-	-	-
Grants & Sponsorships	5	\$38,050	\$56,024	\$73,868
Officials Related Revenue	6	\$262	-	\$262
Support to Carnivals	7	\$16,580	\$16,936	\$15,073
Miscellaneous revenue	8	\$4,456	\$4,202	\$4,456
Total revenues:		\$135,593.72	\$183,689	\$169,905
Expenses				
Office Operation Expenses	9	\$26,638	\$35,083	\$26,610
Board of Management Expenses	10	\$3,366	\$2,945	\$3,366
Competition Expenses	11	\$51,348	\$75,434	\$51,348
Development Expenses	12	\$17,500	\$2,970	-
Depreciation Expense	13	\$2,438	\$2,098	\$2,546
Write Off Expense	14	-	-	-
Officials Expenses	15	\$11,803	\$12,205	\$12,996
Grant Funding Disbursements	16	\$10,800	\$20,781	\$24,680
Miscellaneous Expenses	17	\$11,631	\$12,146	\$11,631
Total expenses:		\$135,523	\$163,661	\$133,176
Operating Profit/(Loss):		\$71	\$20,028	\$36,729



		Notes	Budget	2013	2012
Assets					
	Cash	20	\$120,000	\$149,141	\$127,251
	Receivables	21	\$8,000	\$10,370	\$9,949
	Non Current Assets	23	\$12,000	\$8,391	\$9,741
	Inventory	24	\$20,000	\$18,577	\$18,577
	Total asse	ets:	\$160,000	\$186,480	\$165,519
Liabilitie	s Creditors	25	\$1,000	\$7,001	\$6,589
	Total liabiliti	ies:	\$1,000	\$7,001	\$6,589
	Net assets/(liabilitie	es):	\$159,000.00	\$179,478	\$158,929
Equity					
	Asset Revaluation Reserve		\$2,253	\$2,774	\$2,253
	Retained earnings		\$156,677	\$156,677	\$119,948
	Current year earnings		\$71	\$20,028	\$36,729
	Total equ	ity:	\$159,000.00	\$179,478	\$158,929



the year ending December 2013				
	Notes	Budget	2013	2012
Operating activities				
Cash received		<b>*</b>	••••	<b>*</b>
Registration & Affiliation		\$27,857 \$48,200	\$26,264	\$27,857
Competition		\$48,390 \$38,050	\$79,841 \$56,024	\$48,390
Grants and Sponsorships Interest		\$38,050 \$3,816	\$56,024 \$4,202	\$73,868 \$3,816
GST Collected		\$2,253	\$831	\$2,253
Other		\$28,154	\$16,936	\$28,154
Total cash received		\$148,520	\$184,098	\$184,338
Cash used				
Employee		(\$44,138)	(\$21,225)	(\$17,410)
Other Administrative		(\$8,009)	(\$16,608)	(\$8,009)
Board of Management		(\$3,366)	(\$2,945)	(\$3,366)
Competition		(\$53,075)	(\$76,684)	(\$53,075)
School Carnival Payments		(\$11,803)	(\$9,333)	(\$11,021)
Fees, Interest and Charges		(\$832)	(\$1,901)	(\$832)
Grants and Sponsorships		(\$10,800)	(\$20,781)	(\$24,680)
GST Paid		(\$12,702)	-	-
Other		(\$11,046)	(\$12,506)	(\$11,046)
Total cash used		(\$155,770)	(\$161,981)	(\$129,439)
Net cash movement from operating activities	26	(\$7.254)	¢00.447	¢E4 800
activities	20	(\$7,251)	\$22,117	\$54,899
Investing activties				
Cash used				
Purchase of Administrative A		-	(\$226)	(\$375)
Purchase of Competition Equ	lipment	-	-	(\$3,866)
Purchase of Medals		-	-	(* 450)
Other			-	(\$453)
Total cash used		-	(\$226)	(\$4,694)
Net cash movement from investing				
activities		<u> </u>	(\$226)	(\$4,694)
Nil financing activities				
Net cash movement		(\$7,251)	\$21,890	\$50,204
Prior year closing balance		\$127,251	\$127,251	\$77,046
Current closing balance		\$120,000	\$149,141	\$127,251



#### **2013** 2012

- **Note 1 a.** These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory reporting requirements, including the ACT Associations Incorporation Act.
  - **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.
  - **c.** The Association accounting policies have been consistently applied unless otherwise specifically stated.
  - **d.** The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Association:
    - (1) Income Tax The Association is exempt from the payment of Income Tax
    - (2) Goods and Services Tax 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).
    - (3) Depreciation 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.

Note 2	Registration Revenue Club Affiliation Fees Member Registration Fees	\$4,364 \$22,321	\$4,636 \$23,220
	Total Registration Revenue:	\$26,685	\$27,857
	Number of registered members		
	Athletes	237	216
	Coaches & Officials	52	57
	Total registrations:	289	273

		2013	2012
Note 3	T&F Competition Revenues		
	Summer Series & High Noon Competitions		
	Entry Fees Summer Series	\$4,724	\$7,058
	Entry Fees High Noon	\$1,657	ψ1,000 -
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	Total Summer Series & High Noon Competitions:	\$6,382	\$7,058
	AACT Championships		
	Championship Entry Fees	\$1,067	\$744
	Club Contribution	\$227	\$1,045
	Other Championship Revenues	-	-
	Total AACT Championships:	\$1,295	\$1,789
	Combined Events Competition		
	Combined Events Competition Other CE Revenues	\$445	(\$195)
	Other OL Nevendes	φ++J	(\$193)
	Total Combined Events Competition:	\$1,809	(\$195)
	AA & Other Competitions		
	Carnival Entry Fees	\$36	\$520
	Spectator Entry Fees	-	-
	Canteen Sales	-	-
	Championship Booklet Sales	-	-
	AA Contribution	\$1,257	\$4,235
	Uniform Sales	\$309	-
	Other Revenues	\$682	\$409
	Total AA & Other Competitions:	\$2,284	\$5,164
	All Schools Championships		
	Entry Fees	\$6,355	\$4,700
	Uniforms	\$12,837	\$6,632
	Accommodation	\$17,520	\$6,955
	Fares & Transport	\$20,560	\$2,318
	Other Championship Revenues	\$1,738	φ2,010
	Total All Schools Championships:	\$59,010	\$20,605
	Aust Junior Championships	<b>AA A A</b>	
	Entry fees	\$6,118	\$5,550
	Sale of Uniforms	\$2,221	\$4,402
	Accommodation	\$723	\$4,018
	Total Aust Junior Championships:	\$9,062	\$13,970
	Total T&F Competition Revenues:	\$79,841	\$48,390



		2013	2012
Note 4	Development Revenues		
	Total Development Revenues:	-	-
Note 5	Grants & Sponsorships		
	Administration Grant	\$22,000	\$22,000
	Olympic Training Grant	-	\$9,000
	Officials/Coaches Funding	\$1,299	\$2,425
	AA Participation Funding	\$12,250	\$25,000
	AA Illicit Drugs Funding	\$1,500	\$3,000
	ACT Gov Participation Funding	\$10,000	\$9,400
	Other	\$8,975	\$3,043
	Total Grants & Sponsorships:	\$56,024	\$73,868
Note 6	Officials Related Revenue Sale of IAAF Handbooks	-	\$262
	Total Officials Related Revenue:	-	\$262
Note 7	Support to Carnivals		
	Provision of Officials	\$7,327	\$5,455
	Hire of Equipment	\$6,609	\$9,618
	Equipment Manager	\$3,000	-
	Total Support to Carnivals:	\$16,936	\$15,073
Note 8	Miscellaneous revenue		
	Interest	\$4,202	\$3,816
	Other Minor Revenue	-	\$640
	Total Miscellaneous revenue:	\$4,202	\$4,456

		2013	2012
Note 9	Office Operation Expenses		
	Administrative Officer	\$18,475	\$18,601
	Gross Salaries	\$16,526	\$16,663
	Superannuation Guarantee Levy	\$1,442	\$1,429
	Workers Compensation	\$507	\$510
	Communications		
	Telephone and Fax	\$6,805	\$4,177
	Internet	\$654	\$733
	Postage and Freight	-	\$22
	Miscellaneous communication co	-	-
	- Total Communications:	\$7,459	\$4,932
	Other Office Expenses		
	Photocopying & Printing	\$2,644	\$797
	Consumables	\$11	\$5
	Computer Software & Website	\$5,025	\$1,702
	Memberships & Subscriptions	\$886	\$572
	Miscellaneous office costs	\$583	-
	Total Other Office Expenses:	\$9,149	\$3,076
	Total Office Operation Expenses:	\$35,083	\$26,610
Note 10	Board of Management Expenses		
	Travel		
	Fares & Transport	\$1,204	\$2,011
	Accommodation	\$1,470	\$640
	Meals and Entertainment	\$38	\$535
	- Total Travel:	\$2,712	\$3,186
	Meeting Expenses		
	Meeting Expenses Meeting Costs	\$233	\$180
	Total Meeting Expenses:	\$233	\$180
	Total Board of Management Expenses:	\$2,945	\$3,366

		2013	2012
Note 11	Competition Expenses		
	Summer Series & High Noon	<b>*</b> • • • • •	
	Facilities Hire Summer Series	\$10,191	\$7,440
	Facilities Hire High Noon	\$3,615 \$252	\$316 \$90
	Catering Chest Patches & Printing	\$323	\$90 -
	Ex Stadia Competition Expense	\$1,923	_
	Expensed Equipment Purchases	\$625	-
	Other Competition Expenses	\$468	\$581
	Total Summer Series & High Noon:	\$17,397	\$8,427
	ACT Championships		
	Ground Hire Fees	\$2,097	\$918
	Handbook printing	-	-
	Medals	-	\$583
	Catering	\$38	-
	Prize Money	\$682	\$636
	Other Championship Expenses	-	\$1,927
	Total ACT Championships:	\$2,817	\$4,065
	Combined Events Competition		
	Ground Hire Fees	-	\$4,000
	Printing	-	-
	Medals	-	\$583
	Catering	-	\$935
	Other Expenses	\$240	-
	Total Combined Events Competition:	\$240	\$5,518
	AA & Other Competitions		
	Ground Hire Fees	-	\$3,664
	Printing	-	\$165
	Catering	\$142	-
	AA Entry Fees	\$91	\$1,618
	Other Expenses	\$598	\$282
	Total AA & Other Competitions:	\$831	\$5,729

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		2013	2012
	All Schools Championships		
	AA Entry Fees	\$1,873	-
	Accommodation & Meals	\$3,519	\$4,545
	Fares	\$23,537	\$1,500
	Uniforms	\$9,743	\$1,463
	Team Manager Expenses	\$1,115	\$3,359
	Other team expenses	\$1,766	-
	Total All Schools Championships:	\$41,553	\$10,867
	Australian Jr Championships		
	AA Entry Fees	\$2,251	\$1,818
	Accommodation & Meals	\$4,582	\$6,018
	Fares & Transport	\$1,160	-
	Uniforms	\$4,110	\$8,165
	Team Manager Expenses	\$493	\$742
	Other Expenses	-	-
	Total Australian Jr Championships:	\$12,596	\$16,743
	Total Competition Expenses:	\$75,434	\$51,348
Note 12	Development Expenses Development Officer Expense	\$2,331	-
	Other Development Expenses	<b>\$</b> 500	
	Other Development Expenses	\$583	-
	Total Other Development Expenses:	\$638	-
	Total Development Expenses:	\$2,970	-
Note 13	Depreciation Expense		
NOLE IJ	Office Equipment Depn	\$263	\$329
	Carnival Equipment Depn	\$1,835	\$2,217
	Total Depreciation Expense:	\$2,098	\$2,546

Note 14 Write Off Expense

Total Write Off Expense:

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		2013	2012
Note 15	Officials Expenses		
	School Carnival Expenses		
	Meet Manager	\$3,000	\$5,727
	Officials Payments	\$6,333	\$4,775
	Other School Carnival Expenses	-	\$518
	Total School Carnival Expenses:	\$9,333	\$11,021
	Other Officials Expense		
	Uniforms	\$1,250	-
	Handbooks	-	\$1,364
	Name Badges	\$162	\$112
	Meals & Entertainment	-	\$491
	Training Courses	\$1,288	-
	Other Officials Expense	\$173	\$9
	Total Other Officials Expense:	\$2,872	\$1,975
	Total Officials Expenses:	\$12,205	\$12,996
Note 16	Grant Funding Disbursements		<b>¢</b> 44 707
	Olympic Training Grant EITAAP Funding	- \$3,190	\$11,727 \$2,634
	AACT Emerging Athletes	\$3,190 \$2,500	\$2,634 \$1,364
	Participation Funding	\$2,500 \$14,545	\$8,545
	Other Funding Disbursed	\$545	\$409
	Total Grant Funding Disbursements:	\$20,781	\$24,680

			2013	2012
Note 17	Misce	ellaneous Expenses		
		Annual Statements Expense		
		Audit Fees	\$318	\$318
		Other Annual Statements Expens	\$98	\$32
		Total Annual Statements Expense:	\$416	\$350
		Athletics Australia Fees		
		AA Capitation Fees	-	\$246
		AA Insurance levy	\$5,000	\$1,440
		AA Coaching Accreditation	\$273	\$909
		Total Athletics Australia Fees:	\$5,273	\$2,595
		Annual Awards Night Expenses		
		Room Hire	\$755	\$1,318
		Catering	\$1,602	\$1,431
		Trophies & Engraving	\$913	\$1,469
		Other Annual Awards Expenses	\$36	\$448
		Total Annual Awards Night Expenses:	\$3,306	\$4,667
		Registration Expenses		
		Club Affiliation Fee Rebate	(\$91)	\$1,727
		IMG Online Fees	\$1,341	\$1,460
		Total Registration Expenses:	\$1,250	\$3,187
		Other Expenses		
		Bank charges and taxes	\$1,901	\$832
		Total Miscellaneous Expenses:	\$12,146	\$11,631
Note 20	Cash			
	2	Cash at bank		
		Main Operating Account	\$12,699	\$16,276
		Express Saver Account	\$75,132	\$50,234
		St George Term Deposits	\$60,000	\$60,000
		Total cash at bank:	\$147,831	\$126,510
		Cash on Hand		
		Petty Cash	\$105	\$91
		Cash Drawer	\$950	-
		Team Cash Float	-	\$400
		Competition Cash Holding	\$255	\$250
		Total cash on hand:	\$1,310	\$741
		Total cash:	\$149,141	\$127,251
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	2013	2012
Note 21 Receivables	¢40.070	<b>\$0.040</b>
General Trade Receivables	\$10,370	\$9,949
Total receivables:	\$10,370	\$9,949
Note 22 Prepayments		
Total prepayments:	-	-
Note 23 Non Current Assets		
Office Related	<b>*• • • •</b>	<b>\$</b> 0,000
Gross Value Accummulated Depn	\$2,774 <mark>(\$1,721)</mark>	\$2,026 ( <mark>\$1,458)</mark>
Accuminated Depri	(\$1,721)	(\$1,400)
NBV - office related assets:	\$1,053	\$569
General Competition Related		
Gross Value	\$35,748	\$35,748
Accummulated Depn	(\$28,410)	(\$26,575)
NBV - carnival related assets:	\$7,338	\$9,173
Total non current assets:	\$8,391	\$9,741
Note 24 Inventory		
General Inventory		
Athlete Uniforms	\$13,130	\$13,130
Officials Uniforms	\$434	\$434
Canberra Medals	\$2,500 \$2,514	\$2,500 \$2,514
Championship Medals	<b>\$</b> 2,514	\$2,514
Total general inventory:	\$18,577	\$18,577
Total inventory:	\$18,577	\$18,577
Note 25 Creditors		
General trade creditors	-	-
Employee related creditors	\$1,572	\$1,991
Other liabilities	\$5,429	\$4,599
Total creditors:	\$7,001	\$6,589

Note

		2013	2012
26	Cash Flow Reconciliation		
	Net profit/(loss)	\$20,028	\$36,729
	Non cash adjustments Depreciation expense Write down expense (Increase)/decrease in receivables Increase/(decrease) in creditors	\$2,098 - ( <mark>\$421)</mark> \$412	\$2,546 - \$12,180 \$3,444
	Total non cash adjustments	\$2,089	\$18,170
	Net cash from operating activities	\$22,117	\$54,899

# Cross Country and Road Running Competition Committee

Despite there being no competition committee, AACT was still able to conduct a Club Cross Country Championship event held jointly with ACT Vets on June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2013 at Stromlo Forest Park. The races were conducted efficiently and successfully with Officials and volunteer helpers from both groups and were used as the basis of selecting an AACT team to compete at the Athletics Australia Nationals in August held in Tasmania.

There were 61 athletes from AACT and 25 athletes from ACTVAC competing on the day.

The 2014 ACT Cross Country Championships (a joint event with ACTVAC) have already been booked for Stromlo Forest Park for July 19<sup>th</sup> and these will be the selection trials for this year's National Championships to be held in Albany (WA) in August.

Gerard Ryan



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

Athletics ACT selected Ian Boyd, Scott Imhoff and Erwin McRae as the Selection Committee for the Cross Country and Road Running Selection Committee for the 2013/14 season. The Committee made selections for the Australian Mountain Running Championships (Canberra), the Athletics Australia and Australian All Schools Cross Country Championships (Launceston), the Australian Half Marathon Championships (Gold Coast) and the Australian Marathon Championships (Sydney). The Committee also drafted Athletics ACT Selection Policies for the 2013 Australian Mountain Running Championships, the 2013 Australian Half Marathon Championships, the 2013 Athletic Australia Cross Country Championships, and the 2013 Australian Marathon Championship.

The Australian Mountain Running Championships were held at Mount Stromlo in the ACT on 2 June 2013. Only a male team was selected and Martin Dent (WC) and Mark Bourne (WH) won the gold and silver medals, respectively. Martin, Mark and Stuart Doyle (SCT) won the teams gold. In the open women, the best placed Athletics ACT athlete was Jillian Hosking (SCT) placing 4th. In the junior male division, Bryce Anderson (WC) won the gold medal. Bryce also placed 43rd in the World Mountain Running Championships in Poland on 8 September. Jillian also competed at the World Mountain Running Championships as part of the senior female team, placing 75th.

The Australian Half Marathon Championships were held on 7 July at the Gold Coast. Selections were difficult to a lack of interest followed by injuries and withdrawals. Teams of three were finally selected in both the male and female divisions. Martin Dent (WC) won the gold medal but one of the team members did not finish so there was no team result. A late withdrawal from the female team also resulted in no team result.

The Athletics Australia and Australian All Schools Cross Country Championships were held on 31 August at Symmons Plains, near Launceston in Tasmania. For the first time in memory, no teams were selected in the open male and open female divisions, as well as the under 20 male and female divisions. Only one athlete, who later withdrew, was selected in the open female division, and two athletes were selected in the female under 20 division. In the younger age groups, as is now the selectors' policy, the selectors did not re-select athletes who had already been named in the SchoolSport 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. There was only one noteworthy performance which occurred in the male under 16 division. Joshua Torley (WC) placed 4th in this event while Joel Findlay (NCG) placed 6th and the team of Josh, Joel, Callum McCluskey (WC) and Brandon Bardsley (SCT).

The Australian Marathon Championships were held on 22 September in Sydney. Selections were made in both the male and female divisions although there was only one female. One of the male team members did not finish so there was no team result.

The selectors have previously noted that the availability of assistance packages for State/Territory selected athletes and a renewed emphasis on the importance of State/Territory representation in the marathon and half marathon championships has partially resolved the difficulty the selectors have noted in the past in finding interested athletes to compete in these championships. Selection was, however, difficult this year.

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

The following 2014/15 Australian Cross Country and Road Running Championships have been announced by Athletics Australia:

- Australian Road Running Championships Sydney, 3 May 2014
- Australian Mountain Running Championships, Mt Tennant, 11 May 2014
- Australian 100km Championships 8 June 2014
- Australian Marathon Championships Gold Coast, 6 July 2014
- Australian Cross Country Championships Albany, 24 August 2014
- Australian Half Marathon Championships Sydney, 21 September 2014

#### Media and Publicity Officer Report

Athletics ACT has witnessed some spectacular performances over the 2013/14 Season, which have attracted significant media attention in Canberra and even around the country (specific thanks here to Melissa Breen's Australian 100m record).

Across the season our athletes and events have featured in The Canberra Times, on 666 ABC Canberra, newsFM for FM104.7 and FM 106.3, ABC local news and WIN local news. On a number of occasions our own volunteer photographers captured Commonwealth Games qualifying performances that were sent to local media just minutes after the performances.

Over the course of the season our sport was highlighted most Saturdays on 666 ABC Canberra Grandstand to celebrate strong performances and also preview upcoming events.

The significant focus on social media this season (specifically facebook and twitter) has been well supported by many of our members. The regular updates and news on social media were provided by our executive officer Wendy, media officer Alex and coach Matt Beckenham.

Wendy and Alex have also worked hard to ensure that our website is constantly updated with the latest news and event information.

I enjoy being the media contact person and welcome member feedback at any time. Please feel free to email <u>hannahflannery@hotmail.com</u>

Hannah Walmsley



# **Officials Committee**

Early in the 2013 season Ian Colquhoun trained 12 officials of which 6 were trained in Race Walking, 3 for Throws and 3 for Track.

Dianne Calvert organised the High Noon competition duty rosters which were filled at each session by a good quota of AACT officials, backed up by assistance from volunteers. A number of officials who trained during 2012 for the ALAC Canberra event returned to work during High Noon and into the Summer Series.

ACT School Sport Office requested assistance for several dozen school/zone/championship carnivals from AACT for a number of officials/ referees for photo finish, technical, jumps and track.

A tour to Albury by invitation of Border Track & Field Club included a number of AACT officials, including our President. The BT&F organisers' really appreciated the technical support; we appreciated their hospitality and use of track.

Wendy Olsen organised the Summer Series rosters; on several dates AACT officials assisted the ACTVAC to combine resources.

A special thank you to all officials and volunteers who worked during extreme heat conditions to assist the athletes over 2x2 full days of Combined Events followed the next week by ACT Open & Junior Championships.

Report by Dianne Calvert, AACT Officials Committee



#### **Race Walking Selection Committee**

The winter walks selection committee selected athletes for the Australian Road Walking Championships which were held in Symmons Plains, near Launceston Tasmania on Sunday 1 September 2013.

The following persons nominated to be considered for selection in the Athletics ACT team -

Ally Durr (QBN)	Girls U18 5k	28:14	31:30
Ashleigh Resch (SCT)	Girls U18 5k	25:13	31:30
Zoe Hunt (NCG)	Girls U18 5k	25:44	31:30
Gabby Hunt (NCG)	Girls U14 3k	15:30	17:30
Callum Burns (NCG)	Boys U14 3k	14:50	17:30

While there are no AA standards applied to participate in the Australian Road Walking Championships, for the purpose of arriving at an acceptable criteria for consideration for selection in a State team, we used the Standards set by AA for the summer championships. The standard is shown in the outside column, while the best performance of the athlete in the previous 12 months is shown in column 3.

As all athletes recorded times well under the respective standards all were duly selected and represented Athletics ACT in Tasmania.

All members of the team performed well – Gabby 2<sup>nd</sup> Girls 3k 15:45, Callum 2<sup>nd</sup> Boys 3k 15:26, Ashleigh 3<sup>rd</sup> Girls 5k 25:27, Zoe 5<sup>th</sup> Girls 5k 27:07 and Ally 8<sup>th</sup> Girls 5k 28:55. The ACT was also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Girls 5k team race conducted by Racewalking Australia.

The Winter Walks Selection Committee members were Peter Boden, Doug Fitzgerald & Robin Whyte.

While this is a selection committee report I think it is appropriate to mention that the ACT Race & Fitness Walking Club (ACT Walkers) informally conduct road walking events on behalf of Athletics ACT throughout the winter, including the Athletics ACT Road Walking Championships. Events are conducted weekly at various venues around the ACT and encompass all ages and distances. The Club also conducts the largest race walking event in Australia, the Lake Burley Griffin Walking Carnival which has been held on the Queen's Birthday weekend for the last 47 years.

ACT Walkers in conjunction with the ACT Veterans Athletic Club also conduct the race walks throughout the summer on behalf of Athletics ACT on a Thursday evening.

Robin Whyte

Winter Walks Selection Committee Member

# **Technical Committee**

From the AGM 2013-2014 and with the advent of the new Woden Park Track the position of technical director and equipment officer will become two positions. Nominations have been put forward for Technical director; Chris Timpson and Rowan Vergano as equipment officer, whose major role will be to equip all school carnivals while the technical director role will be to organise equipment for Woden and to maintain our equipment at the AIS.

It is strongly hoped that someone will be prepared to take on the technical director position in the next few months and learn what is involved so that the present director can retire. There is a job description available. This last season 26 carnivals were held. Some only involving equipment only and many involving ACT Officials. These days starting at 7am and finishing around 3pm.

There were also 17 interclub competitions and 8 High Noon meets, down under series, Australian Little Athletics Championships and the Australian Masters Championships, a full year for us all. A big thank you must go to Rowan Vergano, without his support at all events the carnivals would not have run so smoothly. Also to Wayne Thomas who spent hours weighing, measuring and then help setting out equipment.

A major task for us is the equipment for the new Woden Track and to work out a routine for the various events and to this end ACT Veterans and ourselves will be combining our equipment for Woden and this will also be supported by the ACT Little Athletics Association with equipment they already have there. It is hoped to able to run most events at Woden sometime this year. The only events missing will be steeplechase, pole vault and maybe a full hurdles event.

Finally we have continued to work closely with AIS staff and to work on ACT equipment and our two rooms. Thank you to all ACT officials and volunteers for their support of the technical team.

Chris Timpson OAM



#### **Track and Field Competition Committee**

This season completes my 9<sup>th</sup> year as Competition Manager. The season had 17 competition weeks, the same as in previous years, although the season was quite disrupted by the laying of a new track from the middle of November to the end of December. There were alternate venue meets in November with a bus load of athletes, officials and coaches going to Albury and a hosted meet by Ginninderra Little Athletics venue. The first meet was fairly well patronized, but the latter was not.

There were, as previously, two competitions held jointly with ACT Vets (ACTVAC) and again (generously) ACTVAC hosted AACT athletes on two additional dates.

AACT hosted the Hellenic Games in October and this was a well-run meet although the athletes were fairly relaxed about turning up on time to their events! Another significant event hosted on behalf of NSW Wheelchair Sport by AACT was the Summer Down Under Wheelchair track meet in January. This has been held in Canberra for many years and the athletes again appreciated a fast track and a well-organised event. Mick Morris worked hard before the meet with the Wheelchair sport staff to get the meet set up properly in Meet Manager.

As happened previously, all athlete entries ran through Meet Manager and this allowed start lists to be generated for all track and field events prior to competition and results being posted on the AACT website very quickly. There are still a very small number of data entry errors that need to be monitored such as athletes not entered at all, or times not entered in the system which results in athletes being wrongly seeded or athletes ticking the wrong events. During this year's Winter High Noon meets we are trialing entries being done before the meet (closing on the Thursday night) with entries on the day being charged at a different rate.

ACTVAC, with the generous support of the ACT Race Walking Club, conducted a walk event each Thursday. Walkers were still able to compete at AACT Summer Competition in walk-only events albeit with no judges.

On the whole, the AIS attendants had all equipment usually set up well in advance of the start time. Unfortunately the Attendants were not all of the same level of experience. We have asked the AIS for a duty statement for the Attendants so we know what to expect in terms of service.

Requests for additional events from coaches and athletes were again done smoothly through the use of emails and publishing changes on the website. We were able to support a number of interstate athletes with additional events when requested with enough notice. There were some problems with Commonwealth Games qualifying conditions not being well known and some athletes subsequently having qualifying results not counted due to insufficient athletes competing in the event

The junior and senior Championships were again held together. The date was set to meet the needs of selection of the AACT junior team but it worked well with senior NSW athletes coming down as NSW were hosting their Junior Championships that weekend. The competition days ran very well with adequate numbers of Officials and volunteers. The highlight of the meet was Melissa Breen's breaking of the National 100m record.

The on-line entry system again worked well and the Championship competition program was finalised quickly after entries closed. There were very few complaints at check-in this year, although a few were received prior to the first day from interstate coaches about AACT not accepting entries after Late Entries had closed and from an athlete and coach about not allowing the late inclusion of pacemakers. It was felt by a number of key people that having the Championships earlier worked very well and we will be looking for a similar timeframe for next year. We will have discussions with ACTVAC regarding whether they will continue to run a separate track and field Championship. The competition committee has since met and tidied up a few other loose ends regarding rules of competition and the need for a second jumps team.

In addition we held separate nights for the 10km Championship held jointly with the ACTVAC (but again very poorly attended by AACT athletes), and the Junior 3km and Open and U20 5km held at the end of a normal Summer Competition program. Another Championship event held away from the ACT Championships was the Mile (as part of one of the Joint meets).

Another event that required a huge effort from Diane Calvert, and with the support of some clubs, parents and many Officials, was the two day ACT Multi event Championship. This meet will be moved to October in the 2014/15 season with the hope of increasing participation.

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, Alex Van Der Meer the AACT Development Officer who has been a mountain of energy, ideas and initiatives, Chris Timpson whose technical expertise in setting up the field of play is greatly appreciated, Di Calvert for her never ending dedication to the athletes (and for doing the Winter roster of Officials and Volunteers), Neil and Kerry Boden for their ongoing support of athletics across many groups, and Ian Colquhoun who has continued to be a mentor to many of the Officials in Canberra. There are also a core group of Officials who turn up week after week and whose part in athletics in the ACT cannot be underestimated.

A special thank you needs to go to Wendy Pinkerton in the office who has been of great personal support and again took on the additional work of doing the Officials/Volunteer roster each week during the summer. We wish Wendy the best in her new project of being a mother!

I would also like to thank Ken Smith from ACT Vets. As well as being a regular helper at our meets upstairs in the technical area when we have been understaffed, Ken and I have been able to work very efficiently together to put programs together in a very timely manner.

Gerard Ryan

Summer Competition Chair



#### **Track and Field Selection Committee**

This year saw the establishment of a new Selection Committee. The three Selection Committee members were Kylie Barsley, Alex van der Meer and Kylie McClung, with administrative support provided by Wendy Olsen.

The Selection Committee was responsible for selecting the ACT teams for both the Australian All Schools Championships held in December 2013 in Townsville, and the Australian Junior Athletics Championships held in March 2014 in Sydney. These teams were selected using the new selection policies developed and endorsed by the Board for this year.

In terms of the selection of the ACT Team for the Australian All Schools Championships, the process was complicated by the cancellation of the ACT All Schools Championships due to weather. Therefore, the Selection Committee needed to consider the results of all three zone carnivals in order to select the team. Following a long day and night, a team of 77 athletes accepted their selection (compared to 54 athletes the previous year), the biggest team sent to this event, and quite a few athletes attending their first senior Australian Championships.

And what an event it was for the ACT Team despite the challenges presented by the heat and humidity of the Townsville climate - along with the eight medal performances (7 individual medals & 1 relay team medal), quite a few ACT records were broken and many PB's were recorded. The ACT team bettered the previous year's overall points score by 85 points and improved in overall placing as well. The ACT team was one of only four teams to improve in point score from the previous championships and of those showed the biggest improvement. To cap it off, this was the ACT's best result in at least the last five years in terms of point score and placing.

This impressive performance was then backed up at the Australian Junior Athletics Championships. Following the ACT Championships, a team of 100 athletes accepted their selection to compete at this event (compared to 43 athletes the previous year), again the biggest team sent to this event. Many of these athletes were also members of the ACT All Schools Team.

The ACT Team had a very successful Championships with almost 30 medals and a large number of PB's recorded. This was in addition to the 11 medals from our para athletes.

In summary, for a small state the ACT does punch above its weight and has done incredibly well at both the Australian All Schools Championships and Australian Junior Athletics Championships this year. The results prove that selecting bigger ACT Teams does pay off, and it is nice to see the blue and gold participating in most events on the program. Whilst there is some fine tuning that could be done in terms of the nomination process and selection policies and processes for both events, which the Selection Committee will discuss further with the Board, the Selection Committee is keen to continue with the overall objective of increased participating in athletics in the ACT.

# 2013/2014 Annual Awards Presentations 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.

# Outstanding Athlete - Cross Country & Road Racing

**Open Men Nominations** Martin Dent (WC) Mark Bourne (WH) Stuart Doyle

# **Under 20 Male Nominations**

Reilly Shaw (NCG) Lachlan Calvert (NCG) Matthew Berrington (NCG)

# **Under 18 Male Nominations**

Ben Watson (NCG) Bryce Anderson (WC) Reuban Caley (WC) Travis Ey (WH)

# Under 16 Male Nominations

Joel Findlay (NCG) Callum McClusky (WC) Joshua Torley (WC) Brandon Bardsley (SCT) Mitchell Braithwaite (NCG)

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

Callum Burns (NCG) Duncan Miller (AACT)

#### **Open Female Nominations**

Hannah Walmsley (nee Flannery) (SCT) Andrea Ilakovac (QBN) Jillian Hosking (SCT) Fleur Flannery (WC) Emily Brichacek (WC)

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

Emily Ryan (WH) Natalie Archer (WH) Elizabeth Hosking (SCT)

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

Ashleigh Resch (SCT) Nicola Torley (WC) Zoe Hunt (NCG) Hannah McClusky (WC) Bridget Reilly (SCT)

# **Under 16 Female Nominations**

Katie Golding (NCG) Courtney Hopkins (QBN) Cassie Hopkins (QBN) Emily French (NCG)

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

Capella Maguire (AACT) Elizabeth Henderson (WH) Keely Small (WC) Gabby Hunt (NCG)

# Outstanding Athlete - Track & Field

# Open Male Nominations (Able-bodied)

Angus Gould (NCG) Philo Saunders (WC)

# Open Male Nominations (AWD)

Jayden Sawyer (JTS) Richard Nicholson (NCG)

# Under 20 Male Nominations (Able-bodied)

Rowan Vergano (NCG) Reilly Shaw (NCG) Angus Gould (NCG) Lachlan Calvert (NCG) Reuban Caley (WC)

# Under 20 Male Nominations (AWD)

William O'Neil (JTS) Nathan Howard (JTS)

# Under 18 Male Nominations (Able-bodied)

Reuban Caley (WC) Joel Findlay (NCG) Angus White (AACT) Ben Watson (NCG) Adrian Plummer (SCT) Hugh McKenzie (SCT) Kolya Cook (AACT) Richard Allen (NCG)

**Under 18 Male (AWD)** Lachlan Foote (JTS)

# Under 16 Male Nominations (Able-bodied)

Joshua Torley (WC) Adrian Plummer (SCT) Callum Burns (NCG) Kane Allen (NCG) Byron Hollingworth-Dessent (GM) Mitchell Braithwaite (NCG) Gabriel Juach (AACT)

# **Open Female Nominations (Able-bodied)**

Lauren Boden (NCG) Melissa Breen (WH) Emily Brichacek (WC) Kelsey-Lee Roberts (SCT) Jessica Penney (SCT)

**Open Female Nominations (AWD)** Louise Ellery (NCG)

Katherine Proudfoot (NCG) Erinn Walters (JTS)

#### **Under 20 Female Nominations (Able-bodied)** Natalie Archer (WH)

Elizabeth Hosking (SCT) Erin Prince (WH)

# Under 20 Female Nominations (AWD) $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N/A}}$

# **Under 18 Female Nominations (Able-bodied)** Zoe Hunt (NCG) Cassandra Hopkins (QBN) Lillian Van Ewyk (AACT) Ashleigh Resch (SCT)

**Under 18 Female Nominations (AWD)** Sune Van Rensburg (JTS)

Under 16 Female Nominations (Able-bodied) Olivia Jones (AACT) Grace Brennan (AACT) Gabby Hunt (NCG) Imogen Laing (QBN) Shannon Nutt (NCG) Claire Yung (NCG) Jasmine Stanberg (GM)

# **Under 16 Male Nominations (AWD)** Soumil Sharma (JTS) Darcy Wilson (JTS)

# Under 14 Male Nominations (Able-bodied)

Mitchell Baker (NCG) Byron Hollingsworth-Dessent (GM) Spencer Burns (NCG) Jacob Church (SCT)

#### **Under 14 Male Nominations (AWD)** Simon Brown (JTS) Ari Gesini (JTS)

#### **Under 16 Female Nominations (AWD)** Teagan Kite (JTS)

# Under 14 Female Nominations (Able-bodied)

Gabby Hunt (NCG) Annie Leszczynska (NCG) Imogen Laing (QBN) Chioma Enyi (AACT) Keely Small (WC)

# 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.

# Summer Series Club Champions – Age Groups

Age Group	Female	Male
Under 14	North Canberra Gungahlin	North Canberra Gungahlin
Under 16	North Canberra Gungahlin	North Canberra Gungahlin
Under 18	North Canberra Gungahlin	Woden Harriers
Under 20	Queanbeyan	North Canberra Gungahlin
Open	North Canb <mark>erra Gu</mark> ngahlin	South Canberra Tuggeranong

#### **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.

Name	Event	Time/Standard	Location/Date
Melissa Breen	100m	11.11s (11.46s)	Canberra, February 2014
Kelsey-Lee Roberts	Javelin	63.92m (57.37m)	Canberra, February 2014
Emily Brichacek	5000m	15.31.49min (15.40.24min)	Sydney, March 2014
Lauren Wells	400m H	55.75sec (56.85sec)	Moscow, August 2013

# Athletics ACT

# 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.

Nominations: Andrew Pryor Dianne Calvert Matthew Dingley Ron Parrello Janice Clarke Wayne Thomas

# 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 Craig Hilliard Aaron Holt Ted McLean Philo Saunders

# Brian 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:	
Phil Alchin	
Bob Morgan	
Val Chesterton	
Dennis Goodwin	
Garry Hosking	
John Hunt	
Gerard Ryan	
Paul Torley	
Chris Timpson/Rowan Vergano	

# Joan Cross Trophy - Outstanding Senior Woman Sprinter

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

Nominations: Melissa Breen

# 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 Richard Nicholson Katherine Proudfoot Jayden Sawyer Erinn Walters

#### 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: Natalie Archer Bryce Anderson Ben Watson Angus Gould Elizabeth Hosking Reilly Shaw

# 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 Jayden Sawyer Melissa Breen Katherine Proudfoot Lauren Wells Emily Brichacek Kelsey-Lee Roberts