



The Year in Review

Auckland athletes who won national titles

New Zealand Track and Field Championships;

Eddie Osei-Nketia 100m and 200m, Joshua Hawkins 110m hurdles, Connor Bell discus throw, Anthony Nobilo hammer throw, Scott Thomson triple jump, Nicholas Southgate pole vault, Aaron Booth decathlon, Senior men 4 x 400m relay (Mikael Starzynski, James Harding, Michael Dawson, Luke Mercieca).

Zoe Hobbs 100m, Laura Nagel 1500m, mile, 3000m, 5000m, Celine Pearn 100m hurdles, Portia Bing 400m hurdles, Anneke Grogan 3000m steeplechase, Maddison-Lee Wesche shot put, Te Rina Keenan discus throw, Olivia McTaggart pole vault, Senior women 4 x 400m relay (Camryn Smart, Jennifer Hauke, Brooke Cull, Isabel Neal).

Zachary Saunders under 20 100m and 200m, Lex Revell-Lewis under 20 400m, Zane Powell under 20 800m, James Harding under 20 mile, Ronan Codyre under 20 5000m, Luke Clements under 20 3000m steeplechase, Ruben Vogel under 20 pole vault, Liam Ngchok-Wulf under 20 shot put and hammer throw, Under 20 4 x 400m relay (Troy Middleton, Zachary Saunders, Flynn Marshall, Lex Revell-Lewis).

Marielle Venida under 20 100m and 200m, Mia Powell under 20 400m, Macey Hilton under 20 800m, Penelope Salmon under 20 1500m, Chloe Browne under 20 3000m, Antonia Martin 3000m Track Walk and 10,000m Track Walk for Women Under 20, Amelia de Lautour under 20 high jump, Hannah Adye under 20 pole vault, Natalia Rankin-Chi Tar under 20 shot put and discus throw, Under 20 4 x 400m relay (Samantha Korck, Peyton Leigh, Macey Hilton, Mia Powell).

James Ford under 18 800m and 1500m, Christian de Vaal under 18 3000m, Joseph Dunn under 18 110m hurdles, Tai Rhodes under 18 pole vault, Kaelan Paranihi under 18 triple jump, Blessing Sefo under 18 shot put and discus throw, Levi Pupualii under 18 hammer throw, Douw Botes under 18 javelin throw.

Talia van Rooyen under 18 100m and 100m hurdles, Amelia Fairclough under 18 400m, Maya Grundy under 18 pole vault, Suzannah Kennelly under 18 shot put and discus throw, Alana Mathews under 18 5000m race walk, Under 18 4 x 100m relay (Talia van Rooyen, Amelia Fairclough, Katelyn Quay-Chin, Marielle Venida), Under 18 4 x 400m relay (Maddie Kelso-Heap, Lucy Shennan, Kate Borton, Amelia Fairclough).

Para Athlete:

Charli Gardiner-Hall under 17 100m, 1500m, discus throw, shot put, Sionann Murphy open discus throw, Mitch Joynt open 100m and 200m, Jaden Movold open 1500m.

New Zealand Mountain Running Championships;

Peyton Leigh under 20, Jono Jackson senior men, David Clark masters men 50 plus.

New Zealand 100km Championship;

Keith Burrows senior men, Jaime Stevenson senior women.

New Zealand Cross country Championships;

Rodwyn Isaacs masters men 35-39, Simon Mace 40-44, Nick Moore 45-49, Lisa Cross masters women 35-39, Jack Erikson under 16, Ben Oxford under 14, Imogen Barlow under 14, Teams masters men 35-49, men under 18, women under 20.

North Island Cross Country Championships;

Matthew Taylor senior men.

Auckland athletes who set New Zealand records

Zoe Hobbs allcomers 100m, Zoe Hobbs national and resident 100m three times, Zoe Hobbs indoor 60m twice.

Portia Bing national and resident 400m hurdles twice.

Livvy Wilson a member of the relay team, resident 4 x 100m.

James Harding under 20 and under 19 800m

Ethan Olivier under 20, 19, 18 and 17 triple jump twice.

Welrè Olivier indoor triple jump.

Auckland Junior Athletics:

Sportsperson of the year;

Girl joint winners Kate Hallie Takapuna and Avah Sila Papakura. Boy Oliver Barnett Papakura, runner up Owen Lamb North Harbour Bays.

Excellence Awards, Outstanding achievement throws;

Karmen-Elizabeth Maritz North Harbour Bays.

Outstanding achievement track;

Imogen Barlow Papakura.

Para Athlete of the year;

Charli Gardiner-Hall.

Tokyo Olympic Games

Athletics Auckland Life Member Dame Valerie Adams claimed bronze in the shot put. It was her fifth Olympic Games and fourth medal and came after having a family of two and the sacrifices she had to make to complete the training required leading up to Tokyo. It was a fantastic achievement from an amazing woman who is a great inspiration for so many.

Dame Valerie announced her retirement from the sport on Tuesday 1 March 2022.

Also competing in Tokyo Maddison-Lee Wesche sixth in the shot put, Jacko Gill ninth in the shot put and Malcolm Hicks 64th in the marathon.

Tokyo Paralympics

Anna Steven T64 200m eighth, Ben Tuimaseve F37 shot put ninth.

Auckland athletes selected to represent New Zealand at the World Athletic Championships in Eugene Oregon 15-24 July 2022:

Zoe Hobbs 100m, Maddison-Lee Wesche shot put, Imogen Ayriss pole vault, Portia Bing 400m hurdles, Nicole Bradley hammer throw, Olivia McTaggart pole vault, Eddie Osei-Nketia 100m, Jacko Gill shot put.

Auckland athletes selected to represent New Zealand at the World under 20 Championships in Cali Colombia 1-6 August 2022:

Talia van Rooyen 100m, Mia Powell 400m, Macey Hilton 800m, Natalia Rankin-Chi Tar shot put and discus throw, Lex Revell-Lewis 400m, James Harding 800m, Luke Hitchcock 800m, Ethan Olivier triple jump, and Zane Powell 1500m and 3000m.

Auckland athletes selected to represent New Zealand at the Birmingham Commonwealth Games:

Imogen Ayriss	Pole Vault
Connor Bell	Discus Throw
Portia Bing	400m Hurdles
Nicole Bradley	Hammer Throw
Jacko Gill	Shot Put
Zoe Hobbs	100m
Olivia McTaggart	Pole Vault
Maddison Wesche	Shot Put

Murray McKinnon

President

Obituaries

Sue Dumble 4 September 2021 aged 83

Maud Martin 15 January 2022 aged 88

Vic Bartley 21 January 2022 aged 83

Ari Hallenberg 9 March 2022 aged 80