

ATHLETICS AUCKLAND INC ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22

Dame Valerie Adams, fakamalo atu mei he tokotaha kotoa pe 'i he ngaahi sipoti 'atelita 'Okalani. Ko ha talatupu'a mo ha fa'ifa'itaki'anga mo'oni koe.



New Zealand's greatest ever athlete and Athletics Auckland Life Member Dame Valerie Adams retired during the year.

Dame Valerie is a four-time World champion, four-time World Indoor champion, two-time Olympic, threetime Commonwealth Games champion and twice IAAF Continental Cup winner. In 2021, Dame Valerie received a World Athletics Veteran Pin and received an Oceania Athletics Association Merit Award. In 2012 she received an IAAF Centenary Diploma in recognition of making an outstanding contribution to the development of the sport of athletics within Oceania.

At the national level, she has won seventeen shot put titles at the Athletics New Zealand Championships between 2001 and 2018, as well as a hammer throw national title in 2003. Dame Valerie also won four times at the Athletics Australia Championships between 2004 and 2008. From 2006 to 2012 Dame Valerie was the New Zealand Sportswoman of the Year seven times consecutively and awarded the Lonsdale Cup on five occasions in recognition as the leading national athlete in an Olympic sport.



Dame Valerie Adams, thank you from everyone at Athletics Auckland. You are a true legend and role model.

Year	Competition	Venue	Position	Notes
2001	World Youth	Debrecen, Hungary	1st	16.87 m
	Championships			
2002	World Junior	Kingston, Jamaica	1st	17.73 m
	Championships			
2002	Commonwealth Games	Manchester, United	2nd	17.45 m
		Kingdom		
2002	World Cup	Madrid, Spain	6th	18.40 m
2003	World Championships	Paris, France	5th	18.65 m
2004	Olympic Games	Athens, Greece	7th	18.56 m
2005	World Championships	Helsinki, Finland	2nd	19.62 m
2006	Commonwealth Games	Melbourne, Australia	1st	19.66 m GR
2006	World Cup	Athens, Greece	1st	19.87 m
2007	World Championships	Osaka, Japan	1st	20.54 m
2008	World Indoor	Valencia, Spain	1st	20.19 m
	Championships			
2008	Olympic Games	Beijing, China	1st	20.56 m
2009	World Championships	Berlin, Germany	1st	20.44 m
2010	World Indoor	Doha, Qatar	1st	20.49 m
	Championships			
2010	Commonwealth Games	New Delhi, India	1st	20.47 m GR
2010	Continental Cup	Split, Croatia	1st	20.86 m
2011	World Championships	Daegu, South Korea	1st	21.24 m CR
2012	World Indoor	Istanbul, Turkey	1st	20.54 m
	Championships			
2012	Olympic Games	London, United Kingdom	1st	20.70 m
2013	World Championships	Moscow, Russia	1st	20.88 m
2014	World Indoor	Sopot, Poland	1st	20.67 m CR
	Championships			
2014	Commonwealth Games	Glasgow, United Kingdom	1st	19.88 m
2016	World Indoor	Portland, United States	3rd	19.25 m
	Championships			
2016	Olympic Games	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	2nd	20.42 m
2018	Commonwealth Games	Gold Coast, Australia	2nd	18.70 m
2021	Olympic Games	Tokyo, Japan	3rd	19.62 m





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Nga mihi me nga mihi ki a koutou katoa o matou kaipara, apiha, kaiako, kaiwhakahaere karapu, kaimahi, matua me nga kaitautoko mo o awhina me o kaha ki te eke angitu i te tau kua hipa. He tino manaakitanga a Athletics Auckland Inc. me nga tangata whakamiharo me nga kaitautoko.

Fa'afetai ma fa'afetai i a tatou 'au ta'aalo uma, o le au ofisa, o faia'oga, o le au fa'atonu kalapu, o le aufaigaluega, o matua ma le au lagolago mo la outou fesoasoani ma taumafaiga i le manuia o le tausaga ua mavae. Athletics Auckland Inc. e matua faamanuiaina lava i tagata lelei ma le lagolago.

Fakamalo atu mo fakamalo atu ki he'etau kau sipoti, kau 'ofisa, kau faiako, kau pule 'o e kalapu, kau ngaue, matu'a mo e kau poupou ki ho'o tokoni mo e ngaue 'i hono 'ai ke ola lelei e ta'u kuo hili. 'Atelita 'Okalani Inc. 'Oku tapuekina mo'oni ia 'aki ha kakai lelei mo ha kau poupou lelei.

Congratulations and thank you to all our athletes, officials, coaches, club administrators, staff, parents and supporters for your help and efforts in making the past year successful. Athletics Auckland Inc. is truly blessed with wonderful people and supporters.

This has been the year of waiting; waiting for when all the training by athletes and planning by administrator's would result in competition. Covid once again affected and limited what we were able to do. When opportunities to hold events came, we grabbed them, meaning we held our Cross Country and Road events early and were able to hold Track and Field competitions.

The advantages of Auckland being so geographically spread-out and having several all-weather athletics tracks enabled our Track and Field administrators to organise events across locations, enabling track and field competitions within the confines and restrictions of bubbles and limits on gatherings.

The downside to Covid meant our Auckland athletes missed the National Road Championships and Road Relay Championships, and several of our Summer Children's clubs did not start athletics until December. The results of this late starting to the season shows in a decline in our registration numbers and summer athlete numbers, though the substantial numbers running Cross Country and competing in early 2022/23 season relays, shows this was temporary.



Our Athletics Auckland Annual Report serves a couple of purposes. One is as the formal record of our Athletics organisation and the second is as a marketing tool. People groan, and say boring, dull, waste of time, can we do this online, and I have better things to do, when they think of the Annual Report and the AGM.

The secret to a successful AGM, that people attend, is to sandwich it between other activities which are interesting, enjoyable, social and fun, or to include items on the agenda that provoke attention. And for 2022/2023 season, one item that provokes attention is:

- How to increase the number of people involved in athletics.

Later in the Annual Report you will find details on 'Sales and Retention' and 'Athlete Registration Numbers and Income.' Athletics Auckland is working with Athletics New Zealand to collaborate with our clubs over the Winter months to promote athletics and to rebuild the athlete numbers we lost during the past two years of Covid.

Thanks again this year to Work and Income for the Covid-19 Wage Subsidy, NZ Community Trust for their funding support, Aktive for workplace expenses and all our partners for your continued support.

David Sim

Chairman



Congratulations to Alana Mathews, winning Gold in the U18 5,000m race walk



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).



National Champions - Under 20 4 x 400m relay (Samantha Korck, Mia Powell, Macey Hilton, and Peyton Leigh).



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.



Murray McKinnon and National Champion Blessing Sefo, under 18 shot put and discus 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).



National Champion - Talia van Rooyen under 18 100m and 100m hurdles



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 Ayris 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.



National Champion Lex Revell-Lewis under 20 400m



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

Imogen Ayris 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



Ari Hallenberg

Murray Mc Kinnon
President



World Athletics Rule Book

World Athletics approved the World Athletics Rule Book app, created by Wellington Athletics official Eddie Soria.

The English version is now available on both platforms; Apple Store and Google Play Store for the cost of \$1:69

With the App you can now take the rules on our cell phones without having to take the book everywhere! Here are the links to the App Store and Google Play Store.

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.eddiesoria.athleticsrulebook

https://apps.apple.com/nz/app/athletics-rule-book/id1620827927



[&]quot;The best place to be when watching athletics is out in the middle of the competition arena as an Official" – Jenny Bristow



Auckland Track & Field Season Review 2021-22

Covid-19 lockdowns affected the Auckland Track and Field Season 2021-22 and the various Alert Levels, which strictly controlled the numbers able to participate in open-air events or attend meets as coaches or spectators. Athletics Auckland Track & Field established a set of protection protocols and event plans prior to the start of the season with the aim of holding inter-Club meetings as soon as Alert Levels allowed. We sacrificed the first few meets of the planned season to Auckland's Covid-19 lockdown, however thanks to the forward planning, as soon as the regulations permitted Auckland Centre was able to hold Inter-Club meets with a strong number of entries from eager athletes. With outside-gathering numbers restricted to a maximum of 100, we divided the usual programme of events between three separate Auckland stadiums. During November 2021, at Covid Level 3.2, we held the Centre meets as training events only with no published results. Once the change occurred in Covid Level regulations enabling competitive events, entries continued to be strong, given the difficult conditions for athletes, officials, coaches, and supporters.

Due to the Covid pandemic, we did not hold the Auckland Schools Cup Challenge, and the cancellation of the NZ Secondary School Championships was also a major disappointment for many young Auckland athletes. However, those U14s and up who were also Auckland Club athletes refocused their attention on the 2022 Auckland Track & Field Championships and 2022 NZ Championships.

2021-22 McKinnon Shield

Covid restrictions affected the McKinnon Shield, as the spreading of events over multiple venues reduced the number of events that individual athletes could enter on any one day. For this reason, we designated the McKinnon Shield meets prior to January 2, 2022, as non-scoring meets, and eventually only 4 of the 10 meets scored for the competition points.

Upon reviewing the previous season, we adjusted the points system for the 2022 McKinnon Shield to rectify previous flaws which distorted scoring, and to help both large and small clubs compete on a more equal footing. This involved setting a minimum team number of 4 athletes for Clubs wishing to qualify for team points and the introduction of a participation point scored by athletes from Clubs who could not meet the minimum athlete rule. New rules also required full participation in point-scoring events (i.e. a minimum of three trials in throws and horizontal jumps).

McKinnon Shield

Twenty-two Auckland clubs contested the McKinnon Shield over the 4 points-scoring rounds. Waitakere City was a clear winner of the 2022 McKinnon Shield with 77 points, Pakuranga Club was second on 64 points and Lynndale Club third on 50 points.





The McKinnon Shield, named after AAI president of 23 years, Murray McKinnon

2022 Auckland Track & Field Championships

Due to Covid-19 restrictions and subsequent adjustments to the Athletics Auckland calendar, we held the 2022 Auckland Championships over four days at the Herb Towers Track, Mt Smart, on the 5th, 9th, and 12th & 13th of February. There were 444 entries for the Championships from athletes from grade U14 to Masters, making it a successful competition.

We held the 2022 Auckland Combined Events Championships on March 26 &27th at Herb Towers Track, Mt Smart, boosting the numbers competing by including the NZ U18 and U20 Combined Events Championships at the same time. There were 23 women from U14 to Senior grade in the Heptathlon competitions, 11 U14 and U16 men in the Octathlon and 15 competitors in the Decathlon. There were also 23 Masters athletes contesting the Auckland Masters Outdoor Pentathlon and Auckland Masters Throws Pentathlon.

2022 Athletics NZ Track & Field Championships, Hastings

The Auckland Centre fielded its largest team ever at the NZ Championships, with 77 women and 88 men selected to represent their Province. There was especially strong representation in the U18 grade from athletes denied the chance to compete at cancelled NZSS Champs. The necessary separation between the U18 and U20 grade events, held on Thursday and Friday, and the Senior events scheduled for the weekend, and the absence of



spectators and supporters, placed extra pressures on athletes, coaches and the Team managers, but all rose to the challenge. Unfortunately, Covid isolation rules meant some last-minute scratchings, but 158 Auckland Team athletes competed at the Championships. Their performances yielded 69 Gold, 42 Silver and 40 Bronze medals.



National Champions - Senior women 4 x 400m relay (Camryn Smart, Isabel Neal, Brooke Cull, and Jennifer Hauke)

AAI Board Business Plan

Events & Service Delivery:

This covers matters such as maintaining and supplying gear, organising athletic events, and training officials.

Community Engagement:

The 3 items are

- a. Flyers to promote events,
- b. Database of non-club runners running in events,
- c. Create incentive for officials to attend.

The first two items are across all sections and have not attracted a lot of our attention during the year. We advertise all meets on the website and social media.

The most telling comment regarding the third item is that we had nearly double the usual number of officials at the Halberg Games athletic day. There was no financial incentive – only helping kids who experience great challenges in their lives. However, to see the enjoyment they get in participating in sport is unbelievable.

Overall, we have had enormous success in attracting officials at the events organised, especially the key/major events.



Operational Quality:

We have not discussed the provision of a more elaborate prizegiving.

Peter Booker

Peter Booker stood down from the Convenor role due to ill health towards the end of 2021. We owe Peter our gratitude for the years he has given to athletics in Auckland, as a member of the Senior T&F Committee, as Convenor of that group and as a Board member.

During that time, he has been involved in organising many Colgate Games, Centre and National Championships, the World Masters Athletics Championships and upgrading the equipment at Mt Smart. Auckland is very well resourced compared to most other Centres.

At the same time, we needed to find another Committee Secretary. This position is still vacant – with Committee members filling the role on rotation.

AAI was again heavily involved with the Sir Graeme Douglas International and the Night of 5's Permit Meets giving athletes the opportunity to gain points in the World Athletics contest. As detailed in the president's Report here were many great performances.

Finally, I would like to thank all who have assisted during the season – the athletes, the parents, the officials, the Senior T&F Committee, the AAI Office staff and anyone else who made it possible for us to have a normal season in respect to the events held.

The season certainly had its challenges. We faced all with a determination to overcome them and make it possible for the athletes to get out and participate in and enjoy their sport.

Should we revert to more stringent Covid conditions we have a foundation to build on. However, we look forward to 2022/23 being a much more normal, uncomplicated season.

Paul Craddock

Acting Convenor Senior T&F.



Auckland Junior Athletics – Convenors Report

The end of the 2020/21 season prizegiving held at the John Walker Lounge and GM which followed saw Terry Jensen and I re-elected (unopposed) as Vice Convenor and Convenor for the season. Tania Boyer volunteered as the Minute Taker and Chris Day as Gear Custodian.

As with the previous year, the focus in the off season was to set the calendar of junior events and because of feedback from the previous year, to organise pre-season events in the greater Auckland regions, Counties Manukau, West Auckland, and North Shore where coaching would be more accessible to athletes new and past members. Also, following a review and feedback after the Auckland Junior Championships held last year, to look at ways we could prepare for the season ahead.

Nothing could quite prepare us for the season that eventuated with the sudden Lockdown on the 18^{th of} August 2021, that dragged on through the entire summer season.

Twelve people took advantage of the lockdown by enrolling in the online Officials Training provided by Paul Craddock and organised by Tania Boyer of Pakuranga. Lynndale Athletics Club also had officials training, both held between July to October 2021. Many of these people were Junior parents and several current and recent past junior athletes who also undertook the course over four Sunday afternoons for 3 hours each, achieving their C Grade Officials qualification; and added to the active pool of Auckland Officials.

The Child Safety Policy introduced last year by Athletics NZ and requiring all team managers, coaches, and officials to undergo police vetting, also saw a sizeable number from Auckland and associated with Auckland Juniors, who complied with this policy and registered with ANZ, which was a fantastic achievement.

Covid 19 Impact

We have documented the impact of Covid 19 on registration numbers in the Auckland region. Clubs and the Centre felt this with groups of 10 or 100 competing with restrictions on shared spaces, including toilets and mixing of groups.

The preseason coaching sessions started tentatively at Mt Smart with Rob Ward, Eric Sila, and Neil Bartlett and several athletes helping. There were events for the Tiny Tots and skills training for the older kids.

For our main and traditional events such as Relays and Auckland Championships, which normally involves several hundred athletes, this proved to be a major challenge.

We held many online meetings, and information shared to find ways to hold events while abiding to Government, Sport New Zealand, and Athletics Auckland guidelines. Some innovative ideas saw some clubs rise to the challenge while others chose to close their doors for a significant part of the season.



In terms of the events normally provided for Auckland juniors, club delegates prioritised what events they wanted to see go ahead, given the limitations in the numbers able to participate, the added work of setting and ensuring Covid rules were being adhered to whilst still trying to provide a full and meaningful programme.

By October 2021, Auckland junior membership was at 25% of normal numbers. ANZ and AAI provided further advice and financial support to clubs affected by the registration downturn.

Many clubs were holding virtual events over Social Media platforms for athletes and families, both at club level and between clubs to keep athletes, parents and families engaged in athletics.

Some clubs had well-developed and well communicated plans and systems to hold club nights for their members. We shared these plans between clubs at Delegates meetings to assist clubs overwhelmed by Covid and its impacts.

Events impacted by Covid which went ahead in virtual format included the Ron Keat and Papatoetoe Ribbon Days

The Auckland Junior Relays was the first centre event scheduled for the 11 December which was unable to proceed due to the restriction on numbers, and because many clubs did not have enough athletes to field competitive teams or did not have enough club nights to practice. We postponed the event with the hope of running it at a later point in the season, or in another format.



Enjoying athletics



Innovation

When the group numbers able to participate increased to 100, a new meet targeting girl athletes was organised by Tania Boyer and the Pakuranga Junior Committee for athletes from Pakuranga, Papatoetoe, and Papakura Athletics Clubs on the 11 Dec 2021 called the Triple P Girl Power Athletics Event. It was a short 3-hour program of field, track, and relay events for girls from each club aged from 7-14 years old. Entries were online and we divided athletes into 3 teams. The purpose was to encourage more girls to Athletics, originally designed to be a Pre-season Teams event with a mix of Track, Jumps and Throws but given the athlete restrictions, it proved to be an enjoyable time to trial such an event with the hope that it would be an annual fixture.



Adverting PPP Girl Power

We awarded spot prizes and awards to the winning teams. Thanks to all the clubs involved who provided officials and help, and to Pakuranga for hosting, especially Tania Boyer and Mike Trathen for organising.







Some to the competitors enjoying the PPP Girl Power day

Secondary Schools Athletics Championships

The New Zealand Secondary Schools Athletics Championships, of which many of our older junior athletes compete in, were rescheduled because of the deferment of the NCEA exams to the 16-18 Dec 2021. Unfortunately, the NZSSSA cancelled the event on the 27 October 2021, as were other school sport national events.

It was with much anticipation when Athletics New Zealand announced in early December that the North and South Island Colgate Games would be in Wellington and Invercargill, respectively. Colgate Games has for many years dictated the holiday destination of many athletics families and this year was no different.

However, once the Colgate Games were over, Auckland faced another restriction in the number of athletes able to compete.

Counties Manukau Championships were brought forward to 18-20 February and held at Massey Park, Papakura. Terry and his Counties crew did an excellent job of running a slimmed down event and keeping groups separated. The set up and procedures used, assisted with the organising of Auckland Championships held over the following weekends.

Auckland Junior Champs

By this stage of the Covid pandemic, there continued to be many meetings to determine whether to try and hold Auckland Championships as early as possible or to lay off. To comply with the restrictions, we held the Championships over 5 days.



Athletes needed to choose their events wisely, especially on the full days of competition. We gave them the opportunity to enter more than 5 events due to the lack of competitions we were able to provide.



Ribbons and Flags all-round

We were lucky we had almost enough officials to cover the events with the correct qualifications to ratify the records. Some newly qualified officials from clubs also stepped up.

For Auckland Junior Championships to succeed, it is essential that Clubs also provide volunteer helpers, and several clubs go over and beyond to provide help. Some key personnel were unable to attend the event due to catching Covid but were still able to assist in the organising and planning phases. Thank you to everyone who helped.

Covid created a level of anxiety for athletes and parents that we are not always prepared to deal with, and this was keenly felt during these Championships.



Championship Records 7–14-year-olds

There were 12 Championship records broken this year.

7 Girls	800m	3.06.30 (S)	Olivia Stewart	NHB
8 Girls	800m	2.59.41(S)	Ruby-Lee Waite	Waitakere
9 Boys	800m	2:41.83 (S)	Noah Roodt	Waitakere
10 Girls	Shot Put	13.06	Sina Suá	Takapuna
11 Girls	1200 Walk	6.36.93	Morgan Day	Pakuranga
12 Girls	800m	2.19.20	Scarlett Gwin	Waitakere
13 Girls	3000m	10:17.64	Imogen Barlow	Pakuranga
	Discus	44.11	Karmen-Elizabeth Maritz	NHB
	Shot Put	13.79	Karmen-Elizabeth Maritz	NHB
14 Girls	Shot Put	14.23	Kate Hallie	Takapuna
12 Boys	1200 RW	06:26.15	Harrison Day	Pakuranga
(11 Boys 2021	1200 RW	06:26.64	Harrison Day	Pakuranga)
13 Boys	3000m	09:29.79	Quinn Moss	Ellerslie

Auckland Junior Prize-giving Sun 8 May 2022

Kumon sponsored our Prize giving, which we held in the John Walker Lounge. Bobbi Nyoto of Kumon made a special trip over from Sydney to attend. The prize giving, included refreshments, was on Mother's Day and despite the clash, only 3 athletes were unable to attend.

We acknowledged Paul Craddock, Raewyn Rodgers, Rob Ward, Tania Boyer, Louisa Smith and Fiona Free for their dedication to athletics and Auckland Junior Athletics.

We acknowledged all Junior age group winners, Championship and Resident Record holders.

The Sportsperson for girls went jointly to Ava Sila (Papakura Athletics) and Katie Hallie (Takapuna Athletics).

The Sportsperson for boys went to Oliver Barnett of Papakura and the Sportsperson for Para athlete was Charli Gardiner Hall.

This year, we awarded high performance awards to Karmen Elizabeth Maritz for her throwing events and Imogen Barlow for her track events.





Ava Sila (Papakura Athletics) and Katie Hallie (Takapuna Athletics) and Oliver Barnett (Papakura) with Bobbi Nyoto of Kumon



Para Athlete of the year - Charli Gardiner-Hall with Bobbi Nyoto of Kumon





Rob Ward enjoying athletics

I would like to thank the following for their support and assistance for organising and running the Auckland Junior Athletics Championships- Chris Day, Errol Flynn, Lincoln McKenzie, Mike Trathen, Louisa Smith, Rachel Keereweer, Fiona Yelas, Sandy and Ammo Atoaga, Mellissa and Jack Lam, Deepak Jesudeus, Nicky Latu, Rob Ward, Eric Sila, Milie Naime, Julian Castle, Paul Craddock, Grant Pepper, Gerry Lenting, Kathryn and Greg Sands, Raewyn Rodgers, Fiona Free and Neil Bartlett.

Special thanks to Tania Boyer who put in many hours to both her club and centre, so well organised, reliable and clear of thought, and Terry Jensen, a dedicated servant to athletics especially Counties Manukau. I have really appreciated both your time and advice.

Leigh Keefe

Convenor



Cross Country and Road Report – Convenors Report

As I looked back over my report for the 2020 2021 Cross Country season, I see that I had concluded with "As I write this report, we have started our season with normality". How wrong could I be? Unfortunately, normality was not to remain the case for the entire year.

However, because of the previous season we had learnt to anticipate, adapt and persevere.

We managed to hold all the Cross-Country GP events on our calendar so were able to have a shortened Grand Prix. We were also able to hold earlier Junior Series events, which was an improvement on the previous year.



Barefoot versus shoes

To the delight of athletes, coaches and officials, Auckland was able to attend the National Cross-Country Championships in Dunedin, unlike last year. A slightly smaller team than usual travelled and represented our Centre, with superior results in those grades where we had athletes competing.

Stella Hammond 3rd and Christian D Vaal 2nd represented us in the under 18's. In the under 20 grade Chloe Browne and Penelope Salmon were 2nd and 3rd respectively in the individual results. It was in the Masters grades that Auckland shone this year with Lisa Cross, Carolyn Smith, Margie Peat, Rodwyn Isacacs, Simon Mace, and Nick Moore all gaining 1st place in their respective grades. Anneke Grogan and Matthew Taylor both placed 2nd in the Senior grades.

Our teams were successful also with Women under 20 1st, Women 35-49 3rd, Women 50-64 2nd, Men under 18 1st, men under 20 2nd, Men 35-49 1st and Senior Men 2nd.



September saw Covid play a part in our calendar again. Athletes participated in virtual events during this time and clubs remained in contact with training programmes where they could. With Auckland back under Covid restrictions until December, this unfortunately turned out to be the end of our official programme for the 2020-2021 season.



Cross Country is for every one of every age

We planned, we anxiously watched, and we listened to the ever-changing news releases, we changed our plans to accommodate the changing requirements but sadly it was not to be. One by one we had to cancel our Teams Road Relay, Road Championships, and Waikato had to do the same with the National Road Championships. Then finally with differing Covid levels throughout the Country and travel restrictions, the National Road Relays in Christchurch met with the same fate. A sad end to our competitive season and resulting in our cancelling our Cross Country and Road prizegiving for the second year in a row. The organisers of the Auckland Marathon moved the event to January to still hold the event.

We were not beaten though, our athletes remained very keen and continued with their training as best they could and so were ready for the different format of the Track and Field season under the traffic light system.

During this latter part of our season the Committee continued to meet via Zoom and prepared for the 2022 season, trying to anticipate what the requirements might be and how to accommodate them best to the advantage of our sport and athletes.



As I finish this report, we have again started our 2022 season and there have been changes and new developments, but you will have to wait for next year's report to hear about those. Suffice to say though, our numbers and enthusiasm have both grown this year, so it is fair to say that our Sport has survived Covid's onslaught.

Once again, a big thank you to every one of you who have made this possible.



What, no mud!

Dianne Craddock

Convenor



AAI Coach Development

At Athletics Auckland, the quality of our Coaches influences the success of our sport throughout the Auckland region. Athletics NZ also has a high focus on Coaching with the development of a pathway to high performance, if so desired.

Athletics New Zealand introduced the Community Coach member in 2020, along with the Community volunteer member, to connect with clubs and the club coach - parent coaching network. We note that some of our community volunteer members will undertake some coaching tasks in our clubs as well. Athletics NZ has introduced a Coaching Athletic Development programme (CAD) Level 1 and 11, with the pilot programme held in the 2021-22 season. Athletics Coach Educators (ACE) will deliver the modules in the upcoming 2022-23 season. The programme covers the junior athlete aged 10-14 years with entry level knowledge building to event specific knowledge for this age group.

Athletics NZ has introduced an additional level in the Performance Coach Qualification space (PCQ), with a level 1 and level 11 qualification. This will apply to some Accredited coaches and coaches who work with development squad athletes (PPS and PDS).



Harrison Day - This is fun



Athletics NZ Coach Membership

As at March 2022, Auckland has 42 Accredited Coaches, up 9 from the previous season. This includes some Athletics NZ staff and high-performance Coaches. Also, we have 29 Community Coaches, up 2 from the previous year. Additional to the Coach memberships, we have 59 Community volunteer members, of which I estimate at least 15 are genuine Community coaches as well.

The Athletics Auckland 2020-22 coaching plan has the following goals by November 2022:

Accredited Coaches: 50

Community Coaches-Volunteers: 50

We are close to these figures but need more work to encourage all our coaches to become members of Athletics NZ. We will review these targets at the end of this year and will put in place higher targets for the next 3 years from 2023 to 2025.

AAI Coach Education and Development

In the role of Coach Development Manager, I continue to promote Coach education opportunities, primarily through generic courses with the regional sport trusts and informal courses by Athletics Auckland. I encourage all Coaches to complete C grade Officials courses delivered by our team in Auckland. This will ensure coaches are aware of the health and safety issues together with a thorough knowledge of the rules in our sport.

Whilst we recognise the ability of self-learning via online methods, Athletics Auckland and Athletics NZ hold courses throughout the year. We ask that Coaches take the opportunity to collaborate with each other and learn in a formal environment.

John Walker Find your Field of Dreams

This programme continued in 2021, with the delivery of our fundamental movement skill sessions in terms 2 and 3. We cancelled our term 4 "Athletic" specific sessions unfortunately due to lockdown restrictions. This season we interacted with 6 schools from the South Auckland region. This was again down slightly on the previous year however lockdowns throughout 2021 made dealing with schools not possible.

The schools that were involved were as follows:

Papakura region: Rosehill Intermediate, Drury, Kelvin Road, and Edmund Hillary.

Manukau region: Kauriflats and Redoubt North school.

The programme continues to develop every year and I hope we can interact with the existing schools we have contacted and connect to new schools in the South Auckland region.





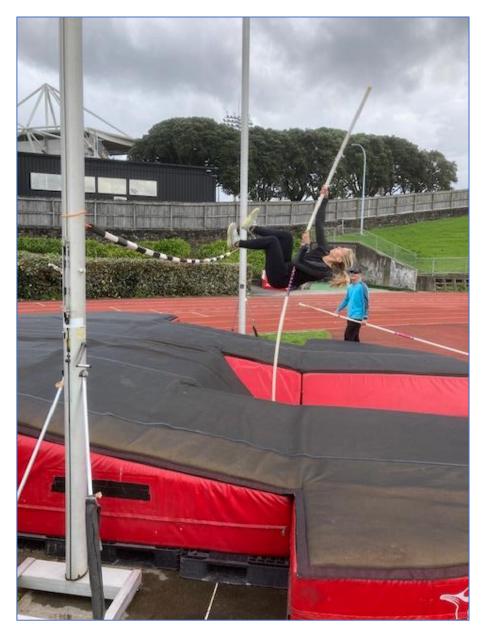
Skills development

Aspire Development Academy

This year, I moved our 2-day endurance clinic back to April 2021. Day 1 was at Bruce Pulman park with day 2 at Mt. Smart stadium. The theme for attending athletes on day 1, in appropriate teams, was to design a cross country course. Then the participants ran each team's course and judged them on certain criteria. A great fun event.

In July 2021, we ran a 2-day academy at Mt. Smart stadium with the focus on Pole vault and Multi event athletes. This year our main academy in October 2021 could not proceed due to lockdown. Therefore, in December 2021 we ran event clinics for 7-9 grade athletes and then athletes from 10-14 years of age, who were preparing for the Colgate games in January 2022.





Edmund Hillary school for our JW Field of Dreams programme, with Brent Booker in the background

Auckland Regional Athletics Coaching programme

I held a disrupted programme over the 2021-22 season, due to covid number restrictions numbers and some clubs not operating. The focus of these sessions is to "Coach the Parents" of the basic coaching cues, safety requirements and rules around the disciplines.

The clubs that participated in the programme were as follows: Papakura (CMA IP group) and Warkworth. Other clubs observed operating were Hillsborough and Waitakere City.

For the upcoming 2022-23 season, Athletics Auckland goal is that a representative instructs in our affiliated clubs, with pre-season and early season sessions.



National Championship Relay coordination

In support of our selectors, assisted in the appointment of coaches to the restricted championships in Hastings. This year Under 18, Under 20 and Senior athletes competed in March 2022. The guidelines for these championships required pods of 100 athletes, which was difficult to deal with at times. All the teams who entered medalled, which was a great result.

AAI Coach resources

I will continue developing the Coaching page on our website, adding more articles as coaching resources.

Neil Bartlett

Athletics Auckland Coach Development Manager



So proud





Chitar Skelton Fagaiava, Papatoetoe, Kate Hallie, Takapuna and Nora Caffery, Manurewa



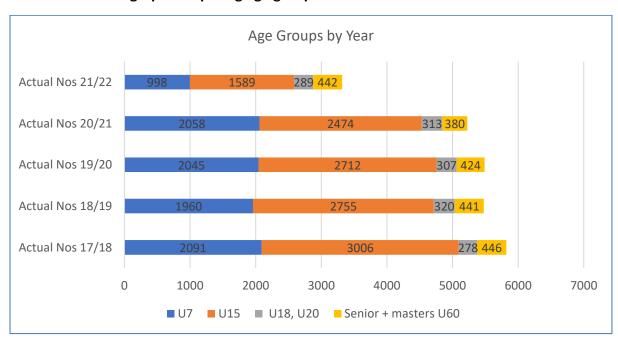
Athlete Registration Numbers and Income

Last year we commented on how our Auckland Athlete Registration numbers remained level with previous years. This was not the case in 2021/22, where the numbers dropped significantly in the U7 and U15 grades. The U7's were half the numbers of 20/21 and the U15's were 2/3rds.

Table showing the year on year comparison of registration numbers by grade

	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22
U7	2,091	1,960	2,045	2,058	998
U15	3,006	2,755	2,712	2,474	1589
U18, U20	278	320	307	313	289
Senior + Masters U60	446	441	424	380	442
Masters 60+	80	85	60	86	113
Active Members	5,901	5,561	5,548	5,311	3431

Stacked Bar chart graph comparing age groups.



Registration numbers relate directly to our income, and with a drop in registration numbers, there was also a drop in our income. The decrease in registration income is evident in the Income from Registration table below. In this table we can see a decrease of \$25K when comparing 20/21 with the 21/22 year.



Athletics Auckland Fees table

Age	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
	AAI Fee				
U7	\$0.00	\$3.00	\$5.00	\$8.00	\$8.00
U15	\$15.00	\$16.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
U18, U20	\$15.00	\$16.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Senior + Masters U60	\$15.00	\$16.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Masters 60+	\$15.00	\$16.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$25.00

Athletics Auckland Income from Registrations table

	AAI Income 17/18	AAI Income 18/19	AAI Income 19/20	AAI Income 20/21	AAI Income 21/22
U7	\$ -	\$5,880	\$10,225	\$16,464	\$7,984
U15	\$45,090	\$44,080	\$54,240	\$61,850	\$39,725
U18, U20	\$4,170	\$5,120	\$6,140	\$7,825	\$7,225
Senior + Masters U60	\$6,690	\$7,056	\$8,480	\$9,500	\$11,050
Masters 60+	\$1,200	\$1,360	\$1,200	\$2,150	\$2,825
Totals (incl. GST)	<i>\$57,150</i>	<i>\$63,496</i>	<i>\$80,285</i>	<i>\$97,789</i>	\$68,809
Totals (ex. GST)	\$49,695	<i>\$55,213</i>	\$69,813	\$85,033	<i>\$59,833</i>

The decrease in numbers affects everyone of us. The AAI fees reflect the budget and expenses the Board estimates it costs AAI to provide athletics services. The typical costs incurred in providing athletics include:

- Labour and Staffing costs,
- Power, Office expenses, Stationery, Phone bills and Power
- Materials, Overheads and Depreciation and other costs related to capital
- Insurance premiums
- Athletics-related DVD's

While we have seen a decrease in registration numbers and income, our expenses have remained. So, in understanding that the decrease in registration numbers is something that affects all of us making up the Athletics Auckland Centre, the AAI Board has made the decision to hold our fees, for the 2022/23 year, at the same level they have been for the past two years. During the winter months leading up to the start of the summer season, we will be working with Athletics New Zealand and our clubs to re-engage with lost members. This exercise will focus on the Sales and Retention of our athletics services to athletes.

The Registration Numbers by Club table shows the comparison of registration numbers between the 2020/21 and 2021/22 years. This enables us to see the decreases by club across the Centre and helps with the re-engaging exercise during the winter months.



Registration Numbers by Club table

					Difference Year on Year	Difference Year on Year	
	2021-22 Clubs	2020-21 Clubs	Difference	% 22 Of 21	Age 15+	Age <14	
AMMI	0	7	-7	-100%	0	-7	
ACA	108	101	7	7%	2	5	
Auck Tri	9	1	8	800%	6	2	
Auck Uni	19	16	3	19%	3	C	
Beachlands	1	34	-33	-97%	-1	-32	
Avondale	3	25	-22	-88%	0	-22	
Caliope	15	143	-128	-90%	-22	-106	
Eastern	219	253	-34	-13%	0	-34	
Ellerslie	97	231	-134	-58%	0	-134	
Glen Eden	74	166	-92	-55%	-8	-84	
Helensville	5	28	-23	-82%	0	-23	
Hillsborough	112	231	-119	-52%	0	-119	
Lynndale	93	80	13	16%	2	11	
Mangere Otahuhu	9	30	-21	-70%	0	-21	
Manurewa	56	151	-95	-63%	-1	-94	
Massey	33	42	-9	-21%	-1	-8	
NHB	392	475	-83	-17%	-9	-74	
Oratia	27	17	10	59%	9	1	
Owairaka	130	188	-58	-31%	11	-69	
Pakuranga	557	902	-345	-38%	17	-343	
Papakura	165	258	-93	-36%	-2	-91	
Papatoetoe	96	216	-120	-56%	-1	-119	
Pt Chev	185	264	-79	-30%	-1	-78	
Pukekohe	93	217	-124	-57%	-1	-123	
Riverhead	1	225	-224	-100%	0	-224	
Roskill South	105	160	-55	-34%	-3	-52	
RWA	9	12	-3	-25%	-3	C	
Takapuna	228	252	-24	-10%	6	-30	
Te Atatu	104	139	-35	-25%	0	-35	
Technical	4	3	1	33%	1	C	
Waitakere	170	219	-49	-22%	10	-59	
Waiuku	77	139	-62	-45%	1	-63	
Warkworth	128	53	75	142%	0	75	
Wesley	31	21	10	48%	2	8	
WETA	4	6	-2	-33%	-1	-1	
Whippets	43	0	43	0%	43	C	
YMCA	31	25	6	24%	6	C	
Total	3433	5330	-1897				



What is the Centre?

We often hear comments like:

- Get the Centre to do it, or
- Why hasn't the Centre done this or that?

So, what is the Athletics Auckland Centre? The Centre is you! It is every athlete, every coach, club administrator, Official, Section delegate, Convenor,

Life Member, staff member and Board member. Consequently, when we hear comments questioning or blaming the Centre, what is really happening is members not understanding their role within the greater Athletics Auckland community.

Here are the activities conducted by our three sections, Senior and Junior Track and Field and the Cross Country and Road Sections.' This gives us the activities that each of us commits to as a member of Athletics Auckland and what we sign up to as a Centre.

- The establishment, management, and control of competition structures suitable for the needs of Athletics in Athletics Auckland.
- The publication and control of an annual calendar of all Competitions held within the Athletics Auckland area.
- The establishment, maintenance, management, and operation of Athletics facilities for the performance of Athletics in Auckland.
- All aspects of competition at all levels in Athletics within Athletics Auckland and activities to promote all AAI events and championships.
- The education and appointments of relevant Athletics Auckland Athletics Officials.
- Activities that ensure skills are in place to conduct and officiate all forms of athletics.
- The development of policies related to sustainability, medical, health and science issues affecting athletes and events/ competitions.
- The development of relationships with current and proposed partner organisations, such as Auckland Masters Athletics and College Sport Auckland.

Sales and Retention of Athletes

The administration of our Athletics club memberships is about Sales and Retention, the selling of athletics to new members and the retention of existing members. Here are five areas we will be focusing on over the coming months as we work to re-grow our athletic numbers.

1. Discover Why Members Joined

The longer you retain members, their lifetime value increases, and they bring in more money to your club in the long-term. If you do not have a good retention strategy in place, you will always be on the lookout for new members.



In general, people join clubs for a reason. Is it to lose weight, make new friends, or they love to walk, run, jump, or throw? Whatever the reason, find out what it is and continue to deliver on it, and stay true to your promise.

Most members tend to lose motivation when they are not seeing results. Do what it takes to keep members consistent and hitting their goals. Keeping members motivated is a big part of retaining members.

For example, Does the Top Ten competition fail by not focusing on all athletes? Does it say to those not picked; you are not good enough to be in athletics? Recent surveys by Sport NZ, Athletics NZ and Athletics Auckland, all point to the need to be inclusive and hold competitions.



Dominic Devlin, ACA and Michael Dawson, Whippets

2. Deliver Excellent Customer Service

Excellent customer service and experience go together. Great customer service helps to boost sales and member retention. A cheerful outlook and the ability to go beyond for your members helps to provide the kind of service people are willing to pay for.

Your customer service will help to build your club reputation, increase word of mouth marketing, and improve the overall value of your club. Although it may sound obvious that good customer service is part of a good retention strategy, it is so important. Consistently delivering fantastic customer service will create happy and loyal members.



3. Remind Members of the Benefits, Offer Solutions and Drive Value

If a member joined an athletics club for one purpose only, it is your goal to remind them of the other benefits they get as a reward of their membership. One of the best ways of clearly advertising these benefits is to post and promote in any of the following locations:

- Club and AAI website
- Club and AAI e-newsletter
- Club and AAI social media pages
- Club and ANZ member landing page
- Club and ANZ invoice renewal

For clubs, it is now more important than ever to retain existing members. The drop we see in Athletics Auckland registrations is a collective decrease across clubs.

With the COVID-19 pandemic, clubs in Auckland have lost members, yet clubs continued to hold club nights and Track and Field meetings. They were able to continue to drive value to members, working with the bubble limitations, despite closing their doors during months of lock-down. Providing added value to your members is a good retention practice.

Most people are looking for a solution to a problem. When you want to lose weight, the main obstacles tend to be nutrition and exercise. If you package solutions that solve problems, they are so valuable.

At your club, do you provide club night events only? What about providing coaching or joining up with the various hubs or providing nutrition consultation and meal plans as additional services. When you combine digital and in-person services, you can offer solutions and really drive value to members.

4. Use Your Membership Committee, Engage with Members and Personalise the Experience

Think about it: you have a whole committee for the very purpose of engaging with your members, so it is a wonderful place to start focusing on members. See if you can get your membership committee to start giving members quarterly calls to just check-in.

You could even provide a standard check-in questionnaire to ask points like:

- What was the last event you attended?
- What has been your favourite part of being a member?
- Do you have any constructive feedback for us to change?

A great retention strategy creates an engaging customer experience. To do this, you need to map the customer journey. You want to engage with people, but you do not want to bombard them with sales messaging, as this will quickly disengage members and end up having the opposite of the desired effect.



A key part of a club's success is that it can keep athletes and parents coming back repeatedly. Technology makes it easier than ever to personalise the member experience. Address your members by their names in all communication and use technology to personalise the athletics experience. When you speak directly to your members, it makes them feel special. Members are more likely to pay attention to your communications if you address them directly. It also helps to develop a closer relationship between your club and members. The aim is to create meaningful personal connections both online and offline.

Questions to consider are:

- Do you have a Membership Committee?
- Do you have someone whose role it is to go around and 'meet and greet' members?

5. Understand Member Churn

Your membership churn, or the attrition rate, is the nemesis of member retention. There are reasons that are out of your control as to why members may leave, such as moving away or a change in financial situation. However, you can actively reduce member retention by fully understanding why your members leave. Recent surveys by Sport NZ, Athletics NZ and Athletics Auckland have respondents saying they drop out through lack of motivation, lack of friendship, lack of engagement and the pressures of schoolwork.

Athletics is part of a wider health and fitness industry, which is becoming increasingly technology focused, so use that to your advantage. Did a member miss their monthly goal and then stopped attending club nights the following week? If you know that motivation is a key factor in member churn, think about ways to hold members accountable and keep them motivated.



National Champions - Under 18 4 x 400m relay (Amelia Fairclough, Lucy Shennan, Kate Borton, and Maddie Kelso-Heap)



Athletics Auckland Inc. Fees and Levies

Athletics Auckland Inc. has the following three fees and levy;

- 1. Athlete Registration Fee,
- 2. Affiliated Club Fee, and
- 3. Section Levy.

In consideration of the difficult financial environment due to Covid-19, the AAI Board agreed there will be no increase in any fees for the 2022/23 year, the fourth year in a row we have managed this.

Athlete Registration Fee

Using the 2022/23 year as an example, the Athlete Registration Fee is for the period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023, and for the purposes of these fees, an athlete's age is as at 31/12/2022.

Year Born	Grade	AAI Fees	ANZ Fees
2016 - Later	6 and under	\$8.00	\$10.00
2008 – 2015	Grade 7 – U15	\$25.00	\$35.00
2003 - 2007	U18 and U20 Men/Women	\$25.00	\$51.00
2002 - Earlier	Senior & Masters	\$25.00	\$66.00

We break down Athlete Registration Fees into three parts, made up of the Club, the Athletic NZ, and the Athletics Auckland Inc. fees. The AAI Athlete Registration fee is the least of the three parts of registration fees paid by athletes.

The AAI portion of the Athlete Registration fee goes directly towards the payment of wages for our staff, who provide Accounts and Office administration and management, Web and Social media management, Competition and event management, Sports Development and Free coaching services to children's clubs.

The athletics year is from April to March and includes the Cross Country season, the Road season and then the Track and Field season. The Athlete Registration fee covers all three seasons, so is great all year round value for money. Many athletes join in April to gain advantage of the year round athletics opportunities provided by Athletics Auckland Inc. Unfortunately, some clubs do not offer a full year membership to their club members, operating only in the summer months.

If athletes join a club as a 'track' athlete in summer, then the athlete may not be getting the full value of the registration fee and annual membership.



While AAI does not directly provide services to the U7 age group, we indirectly support them through the AAI Officials training programmes, and the Coaching services we provide free of charge through Paul Craddock and Neil Bartlett to clubs and members.

Neil Bartlett also works with the Junior Section and implemented the Get Set Go into Clubs for U7 athletes and Run Jump Throw for athletes up to 12 years. The Junior Section also runs at least two one-hour GSG and RJT or similar events for the U7 membership. While the U7 membership is not eligible to compete in Centre events, the Junior Section does facilitate events for this age group with Ribbon Days throughout the summer season, as they are part of our athletics family.

Additionally, in January 2022, AAI employed a Sports Development Officer. AAI has the goal of increasing participation and membership in athletics by improving the athletics pathway and developing an improved alignment between AAI and the Auckland Community. This includes growing athletics through the recruitment of new participants and the retention of athletes while offering support to clubs, schools, and our stakeholders in the athletics community. The first task of the SDO was to work with the Junior Section Clubs in expanding their membership, including delivering recruitment programs for 6-11yr olds, and strategies targeting 'transition' athletes; 12-19yr olds. Sadly, our SDO resigned after four months, returning home to the US.

AAI encourages clubs to register all athletes with both ANZ and AAI, as this reduces the risk to our sport as a whole and benefits all club members, providing a strong and healthy Regional and National structure which is critical to continue the development of athletics. Membership fees enable AAI to support athletes, clubs, coaches and officials through development opportunities, competitions, and equipment resources.

Affiliated Club Fee

All clubs affiliated to Athletics Auckland Inc. pay an annual club membership fee. For the 2022-23 year, the fees are \$60. Like the Athlete Registration fee, the Affiliated Club fee is for the April to March year.

Unfortunately, many junior clubs do not offer a full year membership to their club members, operating only in the summer months. If a club operates as a 'track' club in summer only, then the club members are not getting the full value of the annual membership.

Section Levy

AAI has a Section Levy paid monthly by the three sections, Senior Track and Field, Cross Country and Road and the Junior Track and Field section. The section levy is a long standing levy which has not increased in many years. The Board has the authority to charge a levy, and to alter its value, as it sees fit in accordance with the Constitution and its responsibility to provide good governance.

No Section can opt out. They can discuss/question, but that is all.



We use this levy to cover wages of our office staff and office costs incurred in communicating with clubs and athletes on behalf of the Sections.

Income from Fees and Levies

Athlete registration Fees contributed \$71,600 in 2019/20, \$85,300 in 2020/21 and \$90,400 in 2021/22. Thirty-Eight affiliated clubs pay the club fee, contributing \$2,280 towards our expense. The Section Levy contributes \$500 per month from each Section, contributing \$18,000 towards our expenses. The combined fees and levy brought in \$110,600 in the 2021/22 year.

Entry Fees

Sections collect entry fees to provide equipment and run events. It is reasonable that a portion of that is also covering some of the office/staff expense.

General Comment

Athletes, parents, club administrators, as the people paying the fees to AAI, and our three Sections as levy payers, all need to have confidence that AAI has the proper authority to charge the fees and levies, and that we are charging an amount that reflects the costs of providing the service we provide to athletes and clubs.

To provide that confidence, AAI follow the Auditor-General's view on the principles that public organisations should consider when making any decisions on setting and administering fees and levies: equity, efficiency, justifiability, and transparency.

The AAI Board ensures:

- AAI justifies the fees and levies charged,
- AAI use the revenue we gather from fees and levies appropriately, and
- the practices of AAI are transparent to fee and levy payers.

As mentioned earlier, AAI fees reflect the costs we estimate the provisioning of athletics services incurs. Typical costs incurred in providing athletics include:

- labour, materials, overheads,
- depreciation and other costs related to capital,
- vehicle and trailer expenses,
- transport costs and travel for athletics purposes
- depreciation on items like computers and office furniture
- insurance premiums
- athletics-related DVD's
- office expenses
- phone bills
- stationery
- power

It should be noted that Registration Fees and Levies go to the AAI Board and Entry Fees to the relevant section committees. Each section of AAI – Board, Track and Field Senior, Track and Field Junior and Cross Country and Road are responsible for the income and expenditure appropriate to the section's responsibility in the promotion of Athletics.



Statement of Financial Performance

Athletics Auckland Incorporated For the year ended 30 April 2022

'How was it funded?' and 'What did it cost?'

	NOTES	2022
Revenue		
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue	1	46,603
Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members	1	59,086
Revenue from providing goods or services	1	178,136
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	1	4,874
Other revenue	1	28,800
Total Revenue		317,499
Expenses		
Volunteer and employee related costs	2	102,025
Costs related to providing goods or service	2	196,258
Other expenses	2	37,706
Total Expenses		335,989
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year		(18,490)

Athletics Auckland 'Incorporated's (AAI) greatest challenges during the past two years have been in adapting to the restrictions bought about by the COVID pandemic and finding ways of working within these guidelines, and to continue to provide the best support in a safe way for our athletic community. Senior Track and Field adapted to the restrictions by running different event disciplines at different venues, so we were able to continue to give our athletes competition. With the help of our staff, volunteers and clubs, AAI has been able to continue providing events to our community, either virtually, as we did during the lockdowns, or by dividing events across locations when the Government introduced restrictions and limitations on event numbers.

Unfortunately, due to further lockdowns in the Auckland Region in the 2021/22 Season, our Junior Clubs and Children's registration numbers suffered, and our Under 7 and under 15 children registration numbers reduced from 4532 to 2587. This reduced our registration income for these age groups from \$78K to \$48K. There was also a reduction in schools' participation, from 43 schools in 2021, to 11 schools in 2022 due to lockdowns and a decrease in revenue from \$21K to \$5.5K.



Statement of Financial Position

Athletics Auckland Incorporated As at 30 April 2022

'What the entity owns?' and 'What the entity owes?'

	NOTES	30 APR 2022
Assets		
Current Assets		
Bank accounts and cash		174,800
Debtors and prepayments	3	4,678
Inventory	3	16,794
Term Deposits		405,785
Total Current Assets		602,057
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	5	305,202
Total Non-Current Assets		305,202
Total Assets		907,258
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Creditors and accrued expenses	4	16,603
Employee costs payable	4	5,825
Other current liabilities	4	9,791
Total Current Liabilities		32,218
Total Liabilities		32,218
Total Assets less Total Liabilities (Net Assets)		875,041
Accumulated Funds		
Members Equity	6	893,531
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits)	6	(18,490)
Total Accumulated Funds		875,041



Statement of Cash Flows

Athletics Auckland Incorporated For the year ended 30 April 2022

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Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Donations, fundraising and other similar receipts	9,529
Fees, subscriptions and other receipts from members	59,086
Receipts from providing goods or services	161,911
Interest, dividends and other investment receipts	2,203
Wage Subsidy Received	28,800
GST	(3,461)
Payments to suppliers and employees	(300,032)
Total Cash Flows from Operating Activities	(41,963)
Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities Payments to acquire property, plant and equipment	(9.161)
Funds Held Received	(-)/
Total Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities	9,791
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	9,791 630 (41,334)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	630
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	(41,334)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash Bank Accounts and Cash	630



Notes to the Performance Report

Athletics Auckland Incorporated For the year ended 30 April 2022

Analysis of Revenue	
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue	
Board - Grants Received	45,6
Children's Donations	1,0
Total Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue	46,6
Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members	
Registrations	59,0
Total Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members	59,0
Revenue from providing goods or services	
Administration Levies	18,0
Age Patches	1,8
Board - Track Fee	1,1
Club Affiliation Fee	1,9
Coaching & Development	14,6
Enter Online Income	53,9
Entry Fees	50,5
Equipment Hire - Schools	3,2
Event Management	7
Gym Membership	2,0
Levies	22,0
Miscellaneous Income	4,1
T & F Apparel	2,3
T & F Equip Hire & Event Mmt	1,0
XRun One Event Registrations	2
Total Revenue from providing goods or services	178,1
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	
Board - Dividends Received	4
Interest Received Total Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	4,4
rotal interest, dividends and other investment revenue	4,0
Other revenue	
Wage Subsidy Total Other revenue	28,8 28,8



olunteer and employee related costs	
A.C.C. Expenses	
Wages & Salaries	101
Total Volunteer and employee related costs	102
osts related to providing goods or services	
AAI Administration levy	18
Administration Expenses	2
Advertising/Marketing	
Age Patches	
Athletics Development Expenses	
Auck Road Relay Champs	
Auck X/C Team Race Expenses	
Auck/NZ Combined Champs	
Coaching, Coaching Clinics & Workshops	3
Computer Software	
Customs Agent Charges	
Electricity	
Event Expenses	
Gear Replacement	
General Expenses	
Grants Dispersed	
Gym - services provided	
Insurance	
JW FOD South Exps	
Marathon & 1/2 M. Exps	
Medels	
Meeting Expenses	2
Miscellaneous	
North Harbour XC	
NZ Championship Expenses	
Officials Reimbursement	1
Online Entries Dispersed	5
Pakuranga XC Exps	
Pukekohe XC Expenses	
Repairs & Maintenance	
Security Costs	
Stationery, Printing & Postage	
T&F Apparel Closing Stock	(11
T&F Open Stock Apparel	1
Tearoom & Washroom	
Telephone & Tolls	



	2022
Turning dis Euro	564
Transponder Exps Travel & Entertainment	870
Uniforms - T & F	3.436
Total Costs related to providing goods or services	196,258
rotal costs related to providing goods of services	150,250
Other expenses	
Auditing & Accounting Fees	4,360
AGM Expenses	49
Bank Charges	173
Depreciation	33,138
Foreign Currency Conversion	(13)
Total Other expenses	37,706
	2022
3. Analysis of Assets	
Debtors and prepayments	
Interest Accured	217
Prepayments	1,027
Sundry Debtor & Other Receivables	3.433
Total Debtors and prepayments	4,678
Inventory	
CC&R Trophies	1,442
Medals	3,923
T & F - Apparel	11.430
Total Inventory	16,794
	2022
4. Analysis of Liabilities	
Creditors and accrued expenses	
GST	3,601
Board Income in advance	11,673
Creditors	1,328
Total Creditors and accrued expenses	16,603
Employee costs payable	
Accrued Wages	1,138
Holiday Pay Owing	4,687
Total Employee costs payable	5,825
Other current liabilities	
JW FOD Funds Held	9,791
Total Other current liabilities	9,791



	2022
5. Property, Plant and Equipment	
Buildings	
Opening Carrying Amount	141,656
Closing Carrying Amount	141,656
Office Equipment	
Opening Carrying Amount	3,341
Depreciation	(51)
Closing Carrying Amount	3,290
Plant and Equipment	
Opening Carrying Amount	184,183
Purchases	9,161
Depreciation	(33,087)
Closing Carrying Amount	160,257
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	305,202
	2022
6. Accumulated Funds	
Accumulated Funds	
Opening Balance	893,531
Accumulated surpluses or (deficits)	(18,490)
Total Accumulated Funds	875,041
Total Accumulated Funds	875,041
	2022
Members Equity	
Members Equity	
Board - General fund	642,931
Board John Walker Fund	11,000
Track & Field Funds	(79,455)
CC & R Funds	154,776
Children's Funds Opening Bal	164,279
Total Members Equity	893,532

7. Commitments

There are no commitments as at 30 April 2022 (Last year - nil).

8. Contingent Liabilities and Guarantees

There are no contingent liabilities or guarantees as at 30 April 2022 (Last year - nil).



9. Committed Limits/Balances and Credit Cards

The entity has a Society Account which has facility limit of \$10,000 and a Visa Business account which has a limit of \$5,000 with ASB Bank.

10. Related Parties

There were no transactions involving related parties during the financial year.

11. Events After the Balance Date

There were no material events subsequent to 30 April 2022 and up until the authorisation of the Performance Report for issue, that have not been disclosed elsewhere in the Performance Report.

12. Ability to Continue Operating

The entity will continue to operate for the foreseeable future.

13. COVID-19 and Impact

The entity is aware COVID-19 was declared a global health pandemic on the 31 January 2020 by the World Health Organisation. The subsequent announcements by the New Zealand Government regarding all non-essential businesses were to close on the 26 March 2020 for two months and the subsequent partial lockdown later in August 2020 and again on 17 August 2021 has impacted both the entity's suppliers and customers.

Ongoing lockdowns may change the entity's financial performance which supports the going concern assumption under which these financial statements have been prepared.

At the signing of the performance report, it is not possible to quantify accurately the financial impact of this pandemic on the entity and its future operations.

14. First Time Adoption of Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not-For-Profit) Standards PBE SFR-A (NFP)

The entity did not prepare the performance report as per the Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not for Profit) standards PBE SFR-A (NFP). The results of the entity are reported under Tier 3 requirements from the 30 April 2022 financial year.

As per PBE SFR-A (NFP) standards, comparative information is not required. The prior year financial statements for the entity are available to view on the Companies Office website.



Appendix - Statement of Financial Performance by Divisions

Athletics Auckland Incorporated For the year ended 30 April 2022

'How was it funded?' and 'What did it cost?'

	BOARD	TRACK & FIELD	CROSS COUNTRY & ROAD	JUNIORS	2022 TOTAL
evenue					
Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue					
Board - Grants Received	45,603	-	-	-	45,603
Children's Donations		-	-	1,000	1,000
Total Donations, fundraising and other similar revenue	45,603	-	-	1,000	46,603
Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members					
Registrations	59,086	-	-	-	59,086
Total Fees, subscriptions and other revenue from members	59,086	-	-	-	59,086
Revenue from providing goods or services					
12/13 IP Auckland	-	-	-	1,999	1,99
12/13 IP Counties Manukau	-	-	-	1,999	1,99
AAI Combined Champs	-	717	-	-	71
Age Patches	-	-	-	1,855	1,85
Auck Road Champs	-	-	2,604	-	2,60
Auck XC Champs	-	-	3,764	-	3,76
Auck XC Team Race	-	-	3,682	-	3,68
Auckland Ch Champ Entries	-	-	-	6,777	6,77
Board - Track Fee	1,125	-	-	-	1,12
Administration Levies	18,000	-	-	-	18,00
Club Affiliation Fee	1,930	-	-	-	1,93
Coaching Courses	4,070		-	-	4,07
Enter Online Income	53,970	-	-	-	53,97
Equipment Hire - Schools	-	3,245	-		3,24
Event Management	750	-	-	-	75
Gym Membership	2,083	-	-	-	2,08
Hot Meet Entry Fees	-	11,171	-	-	11,17
JW Field of Dreams Services	7,463	-	-	-	7,46
Miscellaneous Income	4,187	-	-	-	4,18
National XC Champs	-	-	9,523	-	9,52
NHB XC	-	-	3,844		3,844
NZ T&F Champs Accommodation	-	322	-		322
Officials Courses Holding Acc	-	3,137	-	-	3,137
Pakuranga XC	-	-	3,618	-	3,618
Pukekohe XC	-		3,065		3,065



	BOARD	TRACK & FIELD	CROSS COUNTRY & ROAD	JUNIORS	2022 TOTAL
Schools Meet Officials		10,250			10,250
Southland Centennial Levies			615		615
T & F - Ak Champ Entries		8,034			8,034
T & F Apparel		2,304			2,304
T & F Equip Hire & Event Mmt		1,098			1,098
XC&R Race Levies		2,000	700		700
XRun One Event Registrations			236		236
Total Revenue from providing goods or services	93,578	40,277	31,650	12,631	178,136
Interest, dividends and other investment revenue					
Board - Dividends Received	436	-	-	-	436
Interest Received - Board	2,213	-		-	2,213
Interest Received - C C & R		-	534	-	534
Interest Received - Children	_		-	1,179	1,179
Interest Received - T & F	-	511		-	511
Total Interest, dividends and other investment revenue	2,649	511	534	1,179	4,874
Other revenue Wege Subsidy	28.800				28,800
Total Other revenue	28,800		-		28,800
Total Revenue	229,716	40,788	32,184	14,810	317,499
Volunteer and employee related costs	F00				
A.C.C. Expenses	592	-	-	-	592
Wages - Athletic Development	24,901		-	-	24,901
Wages Competition Coordinator	30,028	-	-	-	30,028
Wages & Salaries Total Volunteer and employee related costs	46,505 102,025	- :		•	46,505 102,025
Total volunteer and employee related costs	102,025				102,025
Costs related to providing goods or service					
AAI Administration Levy	-	6,000	-	-	6,000
AAI Administration levy	-	•	•	6,000	6,000
AAI Board levy	-	-	6,000	-	6,000
Administration Expenses	-	-	400	-	400
Administration Expenses	-	-	•	1,831	1,831
Advertising/Marketing	534	-	•	-	534
Age Patches	-		•	3,590	3,590
Akl XC Champs	-	-	1,031	-	1,031
Athletics Development Expenses	863	•	•	•	863
Auck Road Champs	•	•	700	•	700
Auck Road Relay Champs		•	(122)	•	(122)
Auck T&F Champs		5,664	-	•	5,664
Auck X/C Team Race Expenses			482		482
Auck/NZ Combined Champs		536	-		536
Auckland Junior Champs			-	3,484	3,484



	BOARD	TRACK & FIELD	CROSS COUNTRY & ROAD	JUNIORS	2022 TOTAL
Coach Manager	29,153	-	-	-	29,153
Coaching	-	240			240
Coaching - Aspire Academy	5,530	•	•	•	5,530
Coaching - Clinics & Workshops	585 446	-	-		585
Computer Software	440		67		446
Customs Agent Charges Electricity	1,134		- 01		1,134
Event Expenses	1,134		954		954
Freight & Courier			8		8
Gear Replacement		1,289			1,289
General Expenses		720	-	-	720
General Office Expenses	744		-	-	744
Grants Dispersed	2,860				2,860
Gym - services provided	224		-	-	224
Hot Meet Expenses		898		-	898
Insurance	2,657	-	-	-	2,657
JW FOD South Exps	7,463		-	-	7,463
Marethon & 1/2 M. Exps		-	58	-	58
Medals & Trophies	-	-	715	-	715
Medals, Ribbons, Trophies & Exps	-	-	-	1,549	1,549
Miscellaneous	586	-	-	-	586
National XC Champs	-	-	10,749	-	10,749
North Herbour XC	-	-	2,279	-	2,279
NZ Championship Expenses	-	2,893	-	-	2,893
Officials Reimbursement	-	10,150	-	-	10,150
Online Entries Dispersed	53,970	-	-	-	53,970
Pakuranga XC Exps	-	-	2,289	-	2,289
Photo timing	-	480	-	-	480
Photocopier/Printer Expenses	2,014	-	-	-	2,014
Postage	42	•	-	-	42
Pukekohe XC Expenses	•	•	485	-	485
Repairs & Maintenance	124	-	-	-	124
Repairs & Maintenance	-	1,127	-	-	1,127
Repairs & Maintenance	-		524	-	524
School Expenses	-	17	-	•	17
Security Costs	882	-	-		882
Stationery Stationery & Drinting	61		26		26
Stationery & Printing T & F - Rule Books		800	- 26		800
T & F J Walker Mile		1,628			1,628
T & F Officials		2,659			2,659
T&F Apperel Closing Stock		(11,430)			(11,430)
T&F Equip Hire - Event Mgt		448			448
T&F Open Stock Apparel		10,781			10,781
Tearoom & Washroom	70	20,702			70



	BOARD	TRACK & FIELD	CROSS COUNTRY & ROAD	JUNIORS	2022 TOTAL
Telephone & Tolls	2,027	-	-	-	2,02
Trailer Expenses	-	-	63	-	6
Transponder Exps		-	564	-	56
Travel & Entertainment	870	-	-	-	87
Uniforms - T & F		3,436	-		3,43
XC Grand Prix/Other Races	-	-	1,355	-	1,35
Total Costs related to providing goods or service	112,840	38,336	28,627	16,454	196,25
Auditing & Accounting Fees	4,360	-	-	-	4,36
ther expenses					
AGM Expenses	49	-	-	-	4
Bank Charges	173	-	-	-	17
Depreciation - Board	805	-	-	-	08
Depreciation - C C & R		-	5,232	-	5,23
Depreciation - Children			-	727	72
Depreciation - T & F		26,374	-		26,37
Foreign Currency Conversion		-	-	(13)	(13
Total Other expenses	5,387	26,374	5,232	714	37,70
otal Expenses	220,252	64,710	33,859	17,168	335,98
rplus/(Deficit) for the Year	9,464	(23,922)	(1,674)	(2,358)	(18,490

Affiliated club members registration membership levies, event entry fees, initiated fundraising activities for specific team selections, trust funding applications for wage expenses, equipment purchases, or selected team championship events are our main sources of cash and resources.

Membership levies, Event Entry Fees, Trust Funding applications are the main methods we use to raise funds.

AAI employs one full time and three part time employees primarily through Trust funding and from membership levies. All other members, officials and coaches are volunteers, and we continue to be reliant on the goodwill of these people to continue making our sport one of the biggest on the World Stage.

Jim Hogg

Treasurer



Our Clubs

Auckland City Athletic Club Auckland City Triathlon Club Auckland University Track Club

Avondale Athletics Club

Beachlands Maraetai Athletics Club

Calliope A and H Club Inc

Eastern Athletic and Harrier Club Ellerslie Amateur A and H Club Inc

Glen Eden A and H Club Inc Helensville Athletics Club Hibiscus Coast Athletic Club Hillsborough Junior Athletic Club Lynndale Amateur A and H Club Mangere Otahuhu Athletic Club

Manurewa Amateur Athletic and Harrier Club

Massey Athletic Club

North Harbour Bays Athletics Inc

Onehunga A and H Club Inc

Oratia Running Club

Owairaka Amateur Athletic Club

Pakuranga Athletic Club

Papakura Athletic and Harrier Club

Papatoetoe Amateur Athletic and Harrier Club

Point Chevalier Amateur Athletics Pukekohe Amateur A and H Club

Racewalking Auckland Inc Riverhead Amateur A C

Roskill South AAC

Takapuna Amateur A and H Club Inc

Te Atatu Athletic Club Technical H and A Club

The Auckland YMCA Marathon Club Waiuku Districts Amateur Athletic Club

Waitakere City Athletic Club Inc

Warkworth Athletics Club

Wesley Harrier and Athletic Club Inc

Western Elite Throws Academy-Athletics Club Inc

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National Champion - Natalia Rankin-Chi Tar under 20 shot put and discus throw



