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Presidents Report

As we come together for the 2026 AGM, I do so with quiet pride and gratitude for all that Athletics Auckland has achieved over the past year. It has been a year of steady progress, shaped by the efforts of many good people who care deeply about our sport.

Across our clubs, events, programmes, and administration, we have seen what is possible when people work together in a spirit of service. Our strategic plan for 2024–2029 continues to provide helpful direction as we grow participation, support our people, and look after the future of athletics in Auckland.

It was especially pleasing to see participation continue to grow through our competitions and programmes. From junior championships and relays through to track and field, cross country, and road events, athletes of all ages have taken part with enthusiasm, commitment, and obvious enjoyment.

We have also shared in the pride of seeing Auckland athletes represent New Zealand internationally. Their performances are a credit to their own dedication, and also to the families, coaches, clubs, officials, and wider athletics community who support them along the way.

Our affiliated clubs remain at the heart of Athletics Auckland. We will continue to walk alongside them through resources, workshops, networking opportunities, school and community programmes, and ongoing support for facilities and equipment.

Most of all, we are reminded again of the people who make our sport possible. Officials, coaches, administrators, parents, committee members, and volunteers give their time quietly and generously. Much of this work happens in the background, but its value is felt in every event, every club night, and every athlete's experience.

On behalf of Athletics Auckland, I offer my sincere thanks to our staff, volunteers, coaches, officials, convenors, Board members, partners, and supporters. I warmly acknowledge Raewyn Rodger, Neil Bartlett, Fiona Free, Petro Geldenhuys, Paul and Dianne Craddock, and Bryce Hall and all who have given so willingly throughout the year.

As we look ahead, I believe there is good reason for confidence. If we continue to grow participation, deliver good events, strengthen our relationships, and welcome people into our sport, Athletics Auckland will remain a place where many can belong and contribute.

Thank you for your continued support. With goodwill, patience, and a shared love of athletics, I am sure we can continue to build an organisation of which we may all be proud.

Rodger Brickland QSM **President**



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