

# SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LITTLE ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

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**Mission Statement** 

'To develop children of all abilities by promoting positive attitudes and a healthy lifestyle through family and community involvement in athletic activities'



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- State Relay Championships

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- LAPS Sponsor
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#### Presidents Report - Steve Camilleri

Season 2017/18 was a busy one for Little Athletics SA, with significant work behind the scenes to further our mission of developing children of all abilities by promoting positive attitudes and a healthy lifestyle through family and community involvement in athletics. This mission can be distilled down to the three words of our motto: fun, fitness and family

Our focus on fun and positive attitudes, encapsulated by the phrase - be your best - has led to our recognition by the State Government Office of Recreation, Sport and Racing (OSRS) as the peak recreational athletics body in South Australia.

Achieving this mission doesn't come without its challenges. We need to keep pace with the fast changing landscape of junior sport where we face increased competition from other sports targeting younger children with innovative versions of their sport, focusing on girls joining their sport, and providing options to participate all year around in their sport.

In response to these challenges we continue to seek participant feedback and use this information to formulate and implement strategies for improvement. The feedback from our most recent survey confirmed that there is no fun in waiting for events. To address this we have led the way in establishing 2 exciting programs to provide constant activity for children at Little Athletics sessions:

This season we entered phase 2 of the Tiny Tots program after completing trials last season. This program was introduced to provide a fun and educational offering for what is often the first experience children and their parents have with Little Athletics. And first impressions count. Many centres across the state adopted the program and have now provided feedback, along with the participants, so it can be fine-tuned for next season.

South Australia also spearheaded a national push to investigate the best option for providing game based activities to keep children active during waiting times for events, whilst at the same time providing opportunities for athlete skill development. I am pleased to report that the Little Athletics Victoria "On Track" program was selected for national roll out after being recommended by external sports consultants. The On Track program has already been adopted by some centres in SA and has been offered in Victoria for number of years. Five centres in each state have been selected to trial the program with under six athletes in the coming season with a view to a national roll out in future years. Flexibility in the delivery of this program will be essential to its success in addressing waiting times and inactivity, whilst still satisfying the desire of many children to participate in the events they see at the Olympic and Commonwealth Games.

We were also successful in lobbying for the appointment of a national inclusions officer. This role is jointly shared by LAA and AA and seeks to ensure that people of all abilities are given the opportunity to participate and compete in athletics, whether the restriction is physical, financial, linguistic or any other reason.

The announcement of State Government funding for a new track in Salisbury, which Northern Districts, Salisbury Little Athletics and Ingle Farm Little Athletics will share, was a fantastic development for athletics given our reliance on Mile End as the only track in the state. The involvement of the three Little Athletic Centres was crucial in convincing the State Government and the Salisbury Council to support what will become a fantastic resource.

One Sport, has taken a significant amount of Board and management time. We continue to strive to ensure that our little athletes have pathways to continue in the sport as they get older. The stronger athletics is at all levels, the more willing children and their parents will be to get and stay involved. For this reason we remain committed to the One Sport initiative. As part of our discussions, it became clear that



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for some athletes, continuing in the sport after turning eighteen meant doing that at their centre, and for many parents that meant participating at the centre with their children. This led to the introduction of the Recreational Athlete category of membership for the first time this year. Hopefully over time this will not only keep more participants in the sport as a recreational activity but also further enhance the family aspect of our sport.

At club level, Mount Barker and Districts Little Athletics also affiliated with ASA and Henley Little Athletics and Western Districts are merging. Sharing of resources will make for stronger athletic clubs.

Funding from ORSR has been approved for marketing and communications in the One Sport space. This project will seek to provide a similar platform for all marketing and communication with current and potential members across all athletics organisations in South Australia. This will allow communication of available events to all members and of all the pathway options for participating in athletics.

One of our objectives as a Board is to make the role of centre volunteers easier. The first step was moving to an electronic membership registration process. After some early teething problems caused by the payment gateway, the registration database was successfully rolled out. Having had to use the new LASA database and the old STG database, I can attest to the massive improvement the new membership system is. We also took over claiming the Sports Vouchers this season to reduce the administrative burden on centre volunteers. The introduction of the Centre Portal created a central accessible location for information to be stored so it can be accessed by multiple committee members and remain available to future committee members.

Funding has also been approved by ORSR to roll out risk management policies and volunteer management for centres which will provide a resource to protect committee members from risk and enhance Star Club applications.

We are constantly seeking to improve our communication with our centre and individual members, providing opportunities for centres to communicate with and help each other including creating a Centres Facebook group, Team App, mail chimp and good old face to face meetings.

None of this could have happened without the tireless work of our CEO Sue Bowman and the staff, Deb, Meg, Steve, Laura, Owen and Tess. Centre's are often telling me how much they have been helped by the staff and how they take the time to get to know them and make them feeling welcome in Little Athletics. They all show amazing passion for Little Athletics and deserve a very big thank you for often going above and beyond for Little Athletics.

I would also like to thank the Board; Andrew, Peter, Greg, Nadia, Patrick, Shane, Trevor and Christian. The Board members give so much of their time and valuable expertise to help Little Athletics SA. A special congratulations goes to Greg Peterson who received an Order of Australia Medal for his services to Little Athletics.

A very big thank you also goes to our sponsors and partners for the past season, Health Partners, SA Power Networks, Toyota, Adelaide Brighton Cement, Boileau Business Technology, Blackchrome Sportswear and Snap Printing Hilton/Parkside who make so much possible for our little athletes.

Thank you also goes to our State Government funding body Office of Recreation, Sport and Racing. CEO Kylie Taylor and the staff have been a wonderful support.

And last, but not least, thank you to all the Centre committee and other volunteers helping to make this a great sport for all athletes and their families.



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The 2017/18 season of Little Athletics has once again seen significant operational development and change.

For many years SALAA has relied very heavily on the hard work and dedication of the volunteers who deliver our sport at a Centre level.

As an association we have been strategically working to lighten the load on our Volunteer workforce to enable them to deliver the sport with as little administration duties as possible.

After much dialogue, meetings and surveys with Centre committees, we set our strategy to address the time consuming elements of delivering the Sport.

The new database has assisted greatly with this as we are now able to manage membership funds at an association level which removes the time taken for Centre administrators who are tasked with managing Centre registrations and finance. Finance reports can now be delivered with funds directly to the Centre.

This year the Office of Recreation Sport and Racing have officially recognised SALAA as the peak Body for Recreation Athletics in South Australia. This is an opportunity for SALAA to define its existence and its important role in the community as a fundamental movement sport.

Over the coming year, SALAA will be running focus groups to enable members to participate and contribute to this with us.

Membership numbers were slightly down on last year which seemed to be a trend across the country. This is partially due to the national push for female engagement in predominantly male sports. Difficult one for any sport that has always provided for both genders equally. SALAA managed to deliver a positive budget in spite of this.

To our partners and Sponsors, I say thank you for believing in this organisation and for the contribution you make to the sport. We would not be able to do the programs we do without your support.

To our Volunteers, Parents and Association Officials you are the backbone of Little Athletics for which we are eternally grateful. It's important to note that our Volunteer workforce enables this Sport to remain financially affordable to the community.

And finally to my staff and Board I thank you all for your dedication, commitment and hard work. It is a privilege to work alongside all of you.

#### **DATABASE**

In late-November 2016, the long-awaited Little Athletics SA Members Portal was released to members. The transition from *Sports Technology Group (STG)* to the *Microsoft Dynamics CRM* based platform saw over 10,000 contacts transferred over, with each family given their own, new, 'parent/guardian' account. This would enable parent/guardians to easily register multiple athletes through one primary account, a function that was not available in the previous STG system.

The LASA Members Portal officially opened in August 2017 for the launch of the 2017 / 2018 season. The portal was able to process Little Athletics SA season memberships as well as all Come & Try, state event, holiday clinic, program and coaching course entries. Each affiliated Centre received access to their own individual account – which saw Centre administration lessen substantially by streamlining a number of areas. This including; implementing online affiliation forms, online-only payments and most notably the administration of Government Sports Vouchers.



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Throughout the last 12 months, SALAA have worked with Centres in altering the Portal to suit their specific needs while noting suggestions for future development. When producing the scope for the upcoming season's database changes, SALAA reflected on the feedback received from both Centres and members and have made adjustments to areas of concern. These changes will see improvements to the process of creating a profile, registering for *Come & Try* sessions, and opportunities for Dual Membership with the senior body.

SALAA wish to sincerely thank all Centres for their support and feedback during the database transition period. As anticipated, the move at times proved challenging and prone to unforeseen issues. As such, the Association is grateful for all of the Centre's assistance and understanding along the way.

#### COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING

The association experienced a strong start to the 2017 / 2018 season through the production of a successful advertising campaign.

SALAA used a number of progressive advertising techniques to build on the annual season launch campaign. By doing so, the association created a multi – faceted Come & Try advertisement that was able to capitalise on our social media following and successfully implement an audio – visual component.

Not only did this campaign produce over 10 times more Come & Try registrations than last season but it was also more successful than all other campaigns to date.

Communication was another area that experienced growth. Our ability to communicate with our centres and members significantly improved again this season. With the introduction of TeamApp and a Centres Facebook page, SALAA took advantage of communicating through 'instant' notifications to ensure important information was received.

Thanks to the incredible work of our database team, we are also now able to easily keep an updated version of all mailing lists and streamline the mailing process.

#### **SPONSORSHIP**

Sponsorship also took off this season with the introduction of Toyota and Adelaide Brighton Cement as well as the resigning SA Power Networks.

In June 2017, SALAA were lucky enough to secure Toyota as the LAPS sponsor for the next three years. Toyota have supported Little Athletics SA to continue to provide the free LAPS program throughout SA and as a result, will allow over 120,000 Kindergarten and primary schools students to participate in this integral program.

Adelaide Brighton Cement have come on as the new Age Group Patch sponsor and will be with us for the next two seasons. They have truly embraced this sponsorship and become a great partner of SALAA. Adelaide Brighton Cement have worked with the association throughout the season in a number of areas and are looking forward to future joint ventures.

After a one-year sponsorship as a community partner, SA Power Networks decided to not only return but also substantially increase their contributions. This season SA Power Networks introduced the Regional Support Fund and the Athlete Support Fund. Through the SA Power Networks Regional Support Fund,



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regional centres are able to apply for grants to assist them in a number of areas to encourage growth in the country regions.

The SA Power Networks Athlete Support Fund allows low income families to apply for financial assistance to support their child(ren)s registration fees. This fund will sponsor over 200 athletes to participate in the sport throughout the two year sponsorship.

This season we said goodbye to our long-term sponsor Health Partners. We thank you for your years of support for Little Athletics in South Australia and are grateful for all your hard work.

#### **PROGRAM & EVENTS REPORT**

The Program and Events team for the 2017/2018 season consisted of Steven Marotti (Program and Events Manager), Brittany Winter (Events Coordinator – prior to August 2017), Owen Davies (Program and Events Coordinator – commenced August 2017) and Greg Peterson (Competition Director). It was certainly a challenging year for the team, however all staff members must be commended for their hard work and efforts to once again successfully organise and deliver all the associations programs and events.

This season saw a number of improvements, some of the more noteworthy being the significant growth in participant numbers in two holiday development clinics, the second year trial of a new Tiny Tots resource for Centres, a new Race Walking competition in the 2017 winter season, and a complete revamp of the Country Championships (formerly the Country Games).

#### **PROGRAMS**

#### Little Athletics Program for Schools (LAPS)

The LAPS program is one of the organisations major marketing campaigns. The program is delivered by Development Officers (DO), who promote and introduce Little Athletics to children from both primary schools and kindergartens/preschools. Due to the great work from our wonderful DO's, Little Athletics SA were successful in seeing over 40,000 children from around South Australia. In addition, Little Athletics SA were also delighted to partner with Toyota as the naming rights sponsor for LAPS for the next 3 years. The association are privileged to have a well-renowned organisation as a major sponsor of this program, and as such, we look forward to working closely with Toyota to build a great partnership between both organisations.

#### **SA Athletics Academy**

The SA Athletics Academy is a joint developmental program between Little Athletics SA and Athletics SA that provides all young athletes from 9 to 19 years of age, the opportunity to take their athletics to the next level. In comparison to 2016, 2017 saw a minor decline in registrations for most squads. The numbers for the past three years can be viewed in the table below:

Squads	2015	2016	2017
Bronze Squad	34 athletes	125 athletes	115 athletes
Silver Squad	50 athletes	48 athletes	34 athletes
Gold Squad	18 athletes	38 athletes	36 athletes
Target Talent Program (TTP)	30 athletes	35 athletes	59 athletes



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Overall, Little Athletics SA and Athletics SA were extremely happy with the delivery and quality of coaching and theory sessions that were provided to the registered participants. Both organisations are striving to further improve the Academy for future years and are very excited by the programs prospects.

#### Tiny Tots Centre Program - Resource Development

As the Tiny Tots age group is the initial entry point for children into our sport, as well as the largest age group across the state, Little Athletics SA understands the importance of investing resources into this pivotal area.

As mentioned in the 2016-17 annual report, the association identified a need to develop a comprehensive Tiny Tots coaching plan resource to assist centres to effectively deliver a quality play-based program for their 3-5 year old Tiny Tots.

In the 2016-17 season, the resource was developed and trialled at 6 centres. For the 2017-18 season, all centres were given the opportunity to trial and deliver the program. The trial was certainly a success and Little Athletics SA are very appreciative to all the Tiny Tots Coordinators who gave the resource a go and provided very constructive and beneficial feedback. This will assist the association and ACHPER (SA) to further amend the resource for the 2018-19 season, which will be the third and final year of the trial.

Little Athletics SA would like to say a massive thank you to ACHPER (SA) and their Professional Learning Officer, Rick Baldock, for their ongoing support with the development of the resource. Rick's guidance and expertise has been invaluable to the association and in particular, to our Programs & Events Manager, Steven Marotti. We are forever grateful for the work he has done, and the work he will continue to do for Little Athletics SA.

#### **Holiday Clinics**

The Dare to Dream Athletics Holiday Clinic in October 2017 saw 137 participants involved over two consecutive days. This was down from 151 participants the year before. The decline in numbers was primarily due to the clinic being rescheduled as a result of thunderstorms. This eventuated in a large portion of participants being unable to attend the revised date. Nevertheless, the two days involved event-specific coaching, a fun team-multi event competition, as well as the opportunity for participants to meet and listen to our inspiring guest presenter – Rio 2016 Olympian, Chelsea Jaensch.

The Dream. Believe. Achieve. Holiday Development Clinic in January 2018 saw 172 participants involved over two consecutive days. This was a substantial increase from 116 participants the year before. The first day focused on training, with the second day dedicated to an athletics competition in a Mini Olympics format. This enabled participants to put the skills they learnt into action to achieve personal best results. Participants were also fortunate enough to meet and listen to four-time Olympic Race Walking medalist, Jared Tallent.

After the creation of the Cross Country and Walks Holiday Development Clinic in 2017, it was delivered for a second year in April 2018 for two days, over two consecutive weeks. The clinic saw 127 participants involved, which is a significant increase from 73 participants the year before. The clinic once again provided the opportunity for participants to learn from highly qualified and experienced Cross Country and Walks coaches to best prepare them for the upcoming winter athletics season.



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#### **EVENTS**

The 2017-2018 season hosted a number of State Events on the Little Athletics SA calendar. The summer track and field season maintained the same successful structure as the previous seasons, whilst the winter season saw the development of a new exciting competition offering to complement Cross Country.

**Cross Country** - The 2017 Little Athletics SA Winter Season saw fifteen centres host a Cross Country meet from April through to July. As the season came to a close, the Championship event was hosted by Mid Coast Little Athletics Centre at Tatachilla Lutheran College. It was a great course for the pinnacle event of the Winter Season and saw 246 athletes participate. Congratulations to Tea Tree Gully Little Athletics Centre for yet again taking out the Championships Centre for the boys and girls for the fourth consecutive season.

**Race Walking** – A new inclusion into the Little Athletics SA Winter Season, the Race Walking program was delivered in partnership with the South Australian Race Walkers Club (SARWC). Three meets throughout May and June were conducted at the Adelaide Parklands, in the lead up to the Championship event. The Championship saw 33 athletes participate in the various distances on offer. A big thank you to SARWC for their commitment and support in the organising and delivery of the inaugural Race Walking competition, and we look forward to our continued partnership for many years to come.

Country Championships - This season saw a revamp of the old Country Games to the Country Championships. This introduced gold, silver and bronze age group champion medals for the Under 9 to Under 17 age groups, as well as a participation certificate and ribbon for all participants. Registrations were also conducted online for the first time, which made administering the event a lot easier for hosting centres. Little Athletics SA would like to thank the following centres for hosting their region's Country Championships: Penola & Districts (South East), Northern Yorke Peninsula (Yorke Peninsula) and Port Augusta (Eyre Peninsula). Unfortunately, centres within the Riverland region were unable to host and facilitate the Championships this season.

Adelaide Brighton Cement State Carnival - Similar to last season, the State Carnival program was held in late November, with the morning session accommodating the Tiny Tots to Under 8 athletes for a coaching and competition based session, and the afternoon session being occupied by the Under 9 to Under 12 athletes' competition. For the first part of the day, 214 Tiny Tots to Under 8 athletes partook in a skill development session where they rotated through various track and field events. This was followed by a small competition opportunity to finish the morning session. The second part of the day had 300 athletes competing in their favourite track and field events in a friendly and relaxed environment. Thank you to our sponsor Adelaide Brighton Cement for supporting the day by providing hats for the officials, as well as bottled water and fun activities for all of the athletes and their families.

**State PB Classic** - With a large interest in the State PB Classic this season, the competition was run over a Saturday morning and a full day on Sunday. Saturday was for the Tiny Tots to Under 8 athletes, where the Tiny Tots participated in a Tiny Tots session, and the Under 6 to Under 8's competed in various track and field events. On the Sunday, a Hot Weather Program was implemented due to the extreme heat forecasted for the day. This did not stop the Under 9 to Under 17 athletes competing first thing in the morning and then coming back later in the day to compete in the late evening. There were 1,068 athletes registered in this increasingly popular event, which is the most the event has seen in many years. A big thank you to all who assisted in the delivery of this fantastic event.



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**Toyota State Multi-Event Championships** - The Multi-Event Championships was again organised as a joint event between Little Athletics SA and Athletics SA. The two day program hosted 517 Little Athletics athletes in the following multi-disciplined events: Pentathlon for Under 9 to Under 13 age groups, Hexathlon for Under 14's, and Heptathlon for Under 15 to Under 17's. Thank you to our sponsor Toyota for supporting the Championships over the two days.

Health Partners State Relay Championships - The Relay Championships was another great opportunity for centres to show their team spirit in a number of track and field relays, across the Under 9 to Under 17 age groups. This season also saw the inclusion of a Rec Aths track relay. Of the 509 teams representing 28 different centres, there were 978 athletes who took part in this seasons Championships. Eastern Districts again claimed the Pam Sard Champion Centre Trophy with 183 points, with Mid Coast taking out both the Lou Moyes Most Improved Centre Trophy and the March Past Best Presented Centre Trophy. A massive thank you to our sponsors Health Partners for their ongoing support of the Relay Championships and Little Athletics, as well as their involvement on the day.

**State Challenge -** This season's State Challenge saw a slight change with the decrease of the number of eligible age groups due to the Under 14 and 15 age groups being granted automatic qualification to the State Individual Championships. Nonetheless, the Under 9 to Under 13 age groups produced a massive 393 athletes who competed in this feel good and exciting event. Congratulations to Ezekiel Hemming (Hills) and Layne Fenwick (Riverland: Barmera) who took out the Male and Female Athlete of the Meet Awards.

**State Individual Championships (SIC) -** Another fantastic State Individual Championships rounded out the Little Athletics State Track & Field Event calendar in March. The competition was again held on the Friday night and ran through to late Sunday afternoon. This event saw 772 of the State's best athletes travel to the SA Athletics Stadium to compete against one another for the title of State Champion in each age groups individual disciplines. Congratulations to both Jack Williams (Northern Districts) and Tamsyn Murdoch (Golden Grove) for taking out the Male and Female Athlete of the Meets Awards.

Every Little Athletics SA competition and event relies heavily on the support of officials and volunteers and as such we would like to acknowledge all the tireless hours that these individuals dedicate to the sport of athletics. Without your ongoing support, we would unable to provide these opportunities for the Little Athletics community. Also a big thank you to all of the athletes and their families, Little Athletics centres and their committee members and all other stakeholders, for their endless support.



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State Team Report - Gold Coast

#### STATE TEAM REPORT

RUNAWAY BAY, QUEENSLAND 2018

On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> of April 2018, the Little Athletics South Australia participated in the Coles Australian Little Athletics Championships (ALAC). This National Event was hosted by Little Athletics Queensland at the Runaway Bay Sports Super Centre in Runaway Bay, Queensland.

The team selected to represent South Australia comprised of 26 Under 13 athletes & 6 Under 15 athletes. Under 13 selections were made from a performance-based criteria, which would give Team SA the best chance of converting individual performance into points. Under 15 selections were based on the performances of athletes at the Toyota State Multi-Event Championships.

The 2018 State Team representatives consisted of:

#### **UNDER 13 STATE TEAM**

Hayden Crowe (MTG), Jordan Dorovata (PFD), Jonathan Harris (EDI), Hayden Howard (EDI), Harry Kowal (GGR), Zade Kretschmer (HCO), Carter Liddiard (MCO), Mattaes Phillipou (HEN), Liam Samwell (GGR), Nicholas Schroder (MCO), Joshua White (EDI), Joel Woodberry (GGR).

Amelie Borg (GGR), Heather Ferguson (TTG), Pippa Hansen (ENF), Jamilla Hartogh-Jennings (SOH), Jessica McManus (WVL), Olivia Onuma (MAG), Kalina Pusonjic (ENF), Marley Raikiwasa (TTG), Isabel Ross (NAR), Kiera Ross (FLI), Kiara Searle (TTG), Kitarni Upton (SDI), Eliza Woolley (WVL), Holly Woon (EDI).

#### **UNDER 15 MULTI-EVENT TEAM**

Ben Burbridge (SOH), James Hackett (SOH), Tate Manning (BVA).

Tamsyn Murdoch (GGR), Caitlin Slobedman (HIL), Jade Walas (NDI).





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The 2018 ALAC preparations started in early April with team training and bonding sessions. With only a short time before the competition, it was great to see the team becoming well acquainted with one another and working hard to prepare with their coaches.

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018, Team SA flew out late from Adelaide to the Gold Coast to begin the journey to Runaway Bay. An extremely excited team in their brand new ISC uniforms were ready and raring to go.

After travelling from Adelaide to Runaway Bay, Friday was an excellent opportunity for a field trip into Surfers Paradise to relax and enjoy some of the local sights. Team SA enjoyed a lunch cruise on the waters of Surfers Paradise before heading back to Runaway Bay to check out the track and familiarise themselves with the competition site. This was also a great opportunity to meet some of the other State's athletes and bellow out the Team SA chant to make their presence felt.

Some wild weather on the first day of competition did not keep Team SA's spirits down, particularly with Kiera Ross taking home bronze in the 1500m Race Walk and Kiara Searle winning bronze in the Long Jump.

On the second day, the weather was a lot more settled and calmer. Ultimately, this enabled many athletes to beat their personal best results and Kiara Searle to yet again take home a medal (silver), this time in the Triple Jump. The teams' efforts must be commended and they certainly made SA proud.

After the closing ceremony, the team enjoyed the company of their families at a Team SA post competition dinner, before departing Runaway Bay to return home on Monday afternoon.

On behalf of the State Team personnel, we extend our appreciation to Little Athletics SA and the Board for the opportunity to be part of a successful 2018 South Australian Track & Field State Team.

Simon Moran and Ellie Meich STATE TEAM COACHES

Nathan Rose and Jane Sternagel STATE TEAM MANAGERS

Owen Davies
STATE TEAM ADMINISTRATOR



### 2017 / 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

#### 2017/18 REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED

METRO CENTRES	GIRLS	BOYS	2017/18	2016/17
Adelaide Eagles	110	98	208	227
Barossa Valley	64	51	115	120
Campbelltown	39	30	69	94
Eastern Districts	127	128	255	321
Enfield	89	59	148	156
Flinders	48	60	108	114
Gawler	78	48	126	87
Golden Grove	120	97	217	236
Hallett Cove	71	65	136	154
Henley Districts	132	110	242	307
Hills	112	88	200	229
Ingle Farm	23	20	43	53
Lyndoch & Districts	78	62	140	145
Magill	105	105	210	230
Mid Coast	92	67	159	142
Mt Barker	80	59	139	191
Munno Para	63	45	108	84
Noarlunga	47	52	99	83
Northern Districts	73	49	122	125
Playford	14	20	34	59
Plympton	50	32	82	96
Reynella East	81	44	125	142
Salisbury	57	25	82	75
South Coast: Victor	56	50	106	153
Southern Districts	128	121	249	268
Southern Hills	98	91	189	203
Strathalbyn & Districts	25	22	47	60
Tea Tree Gully	93	101	194	190
Torrens Valley	18	15	33	49
West Lakes	142	130	272	313
Woodville	99	59	158	189
METRO TOTAL			4415	4895



### 2017 / 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

#### 2017/18 REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED

COUNTRY CENTRES	GIRLS	BOYS	2017/18	2016/17
Adelaide Plains	9	7	16	27
Bordertown	22	18	40	50
Broken Hill	20	15	35	49
Central Eyre - Wudinna	21	27	48	47
CYP Maitland				34
Far West - Ceduna	17	14	31	55
Mannum	12	20	32	28
Mid North - Clare	26	20	46	51
Mildura & Districts	110	91	201	223
Millicent	20	27	47	68
Mount Gambier	80	78	158	210
Murray Bridge	23	26	49	59
Naracoorte	53	52	105	102
NYP Kadina	34	31	65	82
Penola	20	26	46	60
Port Augusta	52	46	98	76
Port Lincoln	23	21	44	63
Riverland - Barmera - Loxton	38 28	31 44	69 72	85 73
Roxby Downs				47
SYP Minlaton	12	0	12	30
Waikerie	31	25	56	45
Whyalla	20	18	38	59
COUNTRY TOTAL			1308	1623
TOTAL	3083	2640	5723	6518



### 2017 / 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

#### Finance Report - Christian Rech

The South Australian Little Athletics Association Inc presents its financial report for the year ended 30 April 2018.

The Association returned a modest profit for the financial year. This was made possible through a concerted effort by management and staff to reduce costs during a season that saw a fall in registration income from reduced athlete numbers without Olympic and Commonwealth Games to generate increased interest.

The great work of management and staff, and the investment in consulting expertise in the prior year, has led to a significant increase in sponsorship income for the year.

With the decision to end the fundraising campaign there was no fundraising income or related expense this year.

Grant funding received from the Office of Recreation Sport and Racing was provided for coaching accreditation and the tiny tots program which many centres have benefited from. Funding income did reduce due to not receiving the risk and volunteer management grant during the year, which will be received in the coming financial year. This also resulted in a corresponding fall in consultant expenses in this area.

Centre affiliation fees increased due to membership processing fee income to offset the increase in athlete on-line registration expenses.

Event nomination fees increased as we seek to have this income cover the costs of running the events rather than being subsidised by general registrations.

The database management system was completed this year resulting in an increase in intangible assets and the related depreciation and amortisation expense. This also resulted in employee benefits expenses increasing as extra resources were needed to implement the new database.

The Association continues to have a strong net asset position and a healthy cash balance placing it in a very good position moving forward into season 2018/19.

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2018

INCOME	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Athlete Registration Fees		354,004	391,349
Centre Affiliation and Conference Fees		18,993	10,973
Commissions, Merchandise Sales & Canteen Proceeds		17,477	18,882
Event Nominations Fees		61,896	54,908
Fundraising & Donations		1,521	109,575
Grants		92,581	141,990
		52,500	57,026
LAA LABS Brown Contribution		17,541	22,115
LAA LAPS Program Contribution			59,325
Sponsorship		166,721	32,605
State Team Levies		43,954	
Training & Coaching Fees		51,523	51,814
Other Income		33,977	11,454
TOTAL INCOME	_	912,688	962,016
EXPENDITURE			
Advertising & Promotions		40,590	35,515
Athlete Registration & Results Printing		10,725	10,020
Athlete On-line Registration Expenses		27,839	19,595
Consultants		19,669	41,809
Consultants Tiny Tots Program		6,177	11,971
Consultants Risk Management		-	46,449
Depreciation & Amortisation		35,468	21,726
Employee Benefits		420,496	383,536
Fundraising		120/130	136,979
LAA Levies and Insurance		107,170	102,158
Medals, Badges, Trophies & Certificates		16,287	15,336
Office & Utilities Costs		23,669	24,375
Rent and Facility Hire		58,251	51,012
Repairs, Maintenance & Minor Equipment & Software		23,513	13,921
		35,501	36,834
State Team		37,407	36,921
Training & Coaching Costs			20,573
Travel and Accommodation		13,391	
Other Expense		28,700	22,343
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	=	904,853	1,031,073
NET PROFIT / (LOSS)	-	7,835	(69,057)
RETAINED EARNINGS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		430,167	499,224
RETAINED EARNINGS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		438,002	430,167
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The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 APRIL 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents Receivables Inventories	2 3 4	434,325 32,519 13,721	463,618 22,879 7,185
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		480,565	493,682
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant and Equipment Intangibles	5 6	46,469 59,366	87,048 44,514
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS		105,834	131,562
TOTAL ASSETS		586,399	625,244
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables Provisions Revenue Received in Advance	7 8 9	59,681 24,558 64,159	81,158 33,956 79,963
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		148,398	195,077
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	
TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		148,398	195,077
NET ASSETS		438,002	430,167
MEMBERS FUNDS			
Retained Earnings		438,002	430,167
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS		438,002	430,167

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2018

#### NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Constitution and the Associations Incorporation Act 1985.

The Board has determined that the association is not a reporting entity, South Australian Little Athletics Association Inc is a not for profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial statements.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

#### a. Income Tax

The association is a sporting body for taxation purposes and is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the ITAA 1997.

#### b. Revenue and Other Income

Revenue from fees and levies are recognised when the registration, affiliation or entry is received.

Revenue from sponsorships is recognised when the association obtains control over the right to receive cash or other assets under the terms of the sponsorship agreement.

Revenue from grants, funding and donations are recognised when the association obtains control over the funds, it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the funds will flow to the association and the amount can be measured reliably. If conditions are attached to the funds before the association obtains control, the recognition of the funds as income will be deferred until the conditions are satisfied.

Revenue from the sale of goods and provision of services is recognised when the goods and services, including fundraising, are delivered or provided complete.

Interest revenue is recognised when the right to receive the interest is established.

Commissions and canteen revenue are recognised when received.

Revenue and other income is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

#### c. Plant and Equipment and Intangible Computer Software

Plant and equipment and computer software are carried at cost, less accumulated depreciation or amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. In the event the carrying amount is greater than the estimated recoverable amount the carrying amount is written down to the estimated recoverable amount and the impairment loss is recognised as an expense. A formal assessment of recoverable amount is made when there are indicators that an asset may be impaired. Recoverable amount is the higher of the assets fair value less cost of disposal and its value in use.

The depreciable amount of these assets are depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if necessary at the end of each reporting period.

From 1 May 2012, sporting and non-sporting equipment has been depreciated. The previous treatment was to capitalise initial purchases, and expense replacements in the year of purchase.

Gains or losses on disposal of these assets is determined by comparing the net proceeds with the carrying value and are recognised in income or expenditure when the item is derecognised.

#### d. Payables

Trade creditors and accruals represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received that remain unpaid.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2018 (CONT)

#### NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT)

#### e. Employee Benefit Provisions

Provision is recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events. Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period.

Employee benefit provision have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. These amounts are disclosed as current liability as the association does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability beyond 12 months of the end of the financial year, even if it is not expected that the liability will be settled within the next year.

#### f. Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office (ATO). Receivables and Payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivable or payables in the Balance Sheet.

#### g. Comparatives

Where necessary comparative information has been reclassified and repositioned for consistency with current year disclosures.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2018 (CONT)

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	413,240	458,828
Cash at Bank Petty Cash, PayPal and Cash Cards	21,086	4,790
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IOTE 3: RECEIVABLES		
Trade Debtors	25,519	14,261
Other Receivables	7,000 32,519	8,618 22,879
IOTE 4: INVENTORY		
Promotional Stock	11,474	5,940
Development Officer Stock	2,246 13,721	1,245 7,185
TOTE S. DI ANT AND SOLITOMENT	13,/21	7,105
IOTE 5: PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	TO 202	F2 400
Office Equipment - at Cost Less accumulated depreciation	58,382 (45,097)	53,199 (38,502)
less accumulated depreciation	13,285	14,697
Office Furniture & Fittings - at Cost	21,740	21,740
Less accumulated depreciation	(19,821) 1,919	(19,491) 2,249
Motor Vehicles - at Costs Less accumulated depreciation		63,009 (31,239)
Less accumulated depreciation		31,770
Sporting Equipment - at Cost	40,609	35,042
Less accumulated depreciation	(22,949) 17,660	(15,696) 19,346
Non-Sporting Equipment - at Cost	37,812	36,933
Less accumulated depreciation	(24,208)	(17,947)
	13,604	18,986
Total Plant and Equipment	46,469	87,049
OTE 6: INTANGIBLES		
Software	75,729	45,848
Less accumulated amortisation	(16,364) 59,366	(1,334) 44,514
IOTE 7: PAYABLES		
Trade Creditors & Other Payables	26,010	56,960
Accruals	33,671	24,198
	59,681	81,158
OTE 8: PROVISIONS		
Annual Leave Long Service Leave	24,558	25,124 8,832
Long Service Leave	24,558	33,956
OTE 9: INCOME RECEIVED IN ADVANCE		
Academy Fees	17,847	18,162
Temporary Changeroom Grants	46,311 64,159	61,801 79,963

#### STATEMENT BY THE BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2018

The Board has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Board:

- (a) The financial report presents fairly the financial position of the association as at 30 April 2018 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.
- (b) At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board:

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Stephen Camilleri	llen
President	
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Christian Rech	
Board Member and Chair of the Audit, Gove	ernance, Risk and Finance Committee

Dated this 13th day of July 2018

#### REPORT BY THE BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2018

During the year ended 30 April 2018, in the opinion of the Board, except for remuneration received as an employee of South Australian Little Athletics Association Inc on normal commercial terms which were approved by the Board:

- (a) No officer of the association, firm of which an officer is a member, or body corporate in which an officer has a substantial financial interest has received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer, firm or body corporate and the association; and
- (b) No officer of the association has received directly or indirectly from the association any payment or benefit of a pecuniary nature other than Greg Peterson who was paid consulting fees for Information Technology services and registration and recording consulting services provided at rates that were below normal commercial terms.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board:

Stephen Camilleri
President

Christian Rech
Board Member and Chair of the Audit, Governance, Risk and Finance Committee

Dated this 13th day of July 2018



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### AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LITTLE ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION INC ABN 40 290 914 982

In relation to the independent audit for the year ended 30 April 2018, to the best of my knowledge and belief there have been:

- (i) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants; and
- (ii) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct.

A P FAULKNER Principal

Date: 16 July 2018

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LITTLE ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION INC. ABN 40 290 914 982

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report of South Australian Little Athletics Association Inc, "the Association", which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 April 2018 and the Income and Expenditure statement for the year then ended, and notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the Statement by the Board.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at 30 April 2018, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Constitution and the Associations Incorporation Act 1985.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* "the Code" that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist South Australian Little Athletics Association Inc to meet the requirements of the Constitution and the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



#### Other Information

The Board is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises any additional other information included in the Association's annual report for the year ended 30 April 2018, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the applicable legislation and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing
  an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Board's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including
  the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions
  and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation. We communicate with the Board
  regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant
  audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify
  during our audit.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

A P Faulkner

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Principal

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Date: 16 July 2018