



2022

Annual General Meeting

6th November 2022

10 am

NTIS Conference Room

Arafura Stadium

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Athletics Northern Territory

Arafura Athletics Stadium | 40 Abala Road, Marrara NT

Annual General Meeting

Agenda

6th November 2022

The Annual General Meeting for Athletics Northern Territory will be held in the Territory Sports Academy Conference Room, commencing at 6.30pm. Or via Zoom Video Conferencing.

Agenda of the Annual General Meeting

1. Opening and Welcome

2. Apologies and Proxies

3. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting

To confirm the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 30th November 2021.

4. President's Report

To receive and consider the President's Report
(There is no vote on this item)

5. Executive Officer's Report

To receive and consider the Executive Officer's Report
(There is no vote on this item)

6. Financial Statements and Reports

To receive and consider the financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditor for the financial year ending 30 June 2022.
(There is no vote on this item)

7. Appointment of Auditors

To consider and pass the following resolution that BDH Consulting be ratified by the Members in accordance with the Constitution Clause 26 for the 2022/23 financial year.

8. By-Law amendments To consider and pass the following resolutions: a. Change Athletics NT season dates to 1 Jan – 31 December each year. To a line with the rollover of the online registration system.

9. Declare Board Vacancies and Board Nominations / Elections

In accordance with the Constitution Clause 11.4 (d) the following Elected Directors are retiring:

Emma Kraft

Matthew Gridley

In accordance with the Constitution Clause 11.3 to consider nominations for Elected Directors:

Sean Goff

Casey Hua

Roger Chin

Penny Renc

Lyndon Ross

9. Life Members

Life Membership is the highest honour that can be bestowed by the Association for longstanding and valued service to the Sport in the Northern Territory.

That, under clause 5.5 of the Constitution, vote to induct Life Membership to the following nominated persons:

Emma Kraft
Nola Brockie
Cameron Burrows

10. Close

Athletics NT AGM Meeting Minutes 30th November 2021

Meeting Date: 30th November 2021

Meeting Time: 6.30pm

Venue: TSA Conference Room, Arafura Stadium, Marrara

Chairperson: Lynne Jackson | President Athletics NT

Minutes: Compiled by Leanne Chin | Executive Officer



Item	Agenda Topic	Who	Action Items
Meeting Opened:	6.32pm		
1) Attendees	Attendees: IN PERSON- Leanne Chin, Lynne Jackson, Colin Heywood, Sam Ajisafe, Brad Cunnington (DAC), Nola Brockie (MAD), Cameron Burrows (RAC), Lyn Guelfi VIA ZOOM – Nicole Simmonds (KAC), Matthew Gridley, Emma Kraft, Jane Hickie (ADRR), Kate Heelan, Michele Hughes	LJ	
2) Apologies/Proxies	Alice Springs Athletics Ian Fullerton (DRW), Cail Rayment (ASRW)	LJ	Notes: Email received 16/11/21 advising non-attendance.
3) Minutes of previous AGM	Minutes of 17 th November 2020 AGM Moved: Nicole Simmonds Second: Nola Brockie	LJ	Notes: Accepted.
4) Presidents Report	Moved: Second:	LJ	Notes: As the report was received late, members via zoom had had an opportunity to read the PR. Report to be emailed to all for consideration. Then moved & seconded. Lynne to step down as chair at the conclusion of the meeting.
5) Executive Officer's Report	Moved: Lynne Jackson Second: Kate Heelan	LC	Notes: No questions were raised. Accepted.
6) Finance Statement & Report	Moved: Brad Cunnington Second: Nicole Simmonds	MH	Notes: Accepted.
7) Appointment of Auditors	Moved: Colin Heywood Second: Nicole Simmonds	MH	Notes: Michele Hughes advised we have not sort quotes from other auditors. BDH Consulting advise fees will remain the same for 2021/2022 financial year.
8) Declare Board Vacancies and Board Nominations/Elections	In accordance with the Constitution Clause 11.4 (d) the following Elected Directors are retiring: Shane Wylie, Emma Kraft, Matthew Gridley, Lynne Jackson Nominations received from – Matthew Gridley, Emma Kraft, Sam Ajisafe, Kate Heelan. Late nomination - Lyndon Ross In accordance with the Constitution Clause 11.3 to consider nominations for Elected Directors Sam Ajisafe, Kate Heelan, Emma Kraft, Matthew Gridley.	LC	Notes: As sufficient nominations were received; vacant positions were filled, and a vote was not required. Lyndon Ross to become an Appointed Director at the next meeting of the board. Cameron pointed out the nominations hadn't been listed on the agenda.
9) Life Members	Vote to induct nominated persons: That, under clause 5.5 of the Constitution, Life Members.		Notes: Due to the short timeline, no nominations were received.

	Life Membership is the highest honour that can be bestowed by the Association for longstanding and valued service to the Sport in the Northern Territory.		Over the next 12mths, nominations will be sort from clubs, board and ANT office. Life Member Policy Document is available on the ANT website
10) General Business	<p>Brad Cunnington: Track Resurfacing and Presidents Meetings</p> <p>Cameron Burrows: Alice Springs Athletics</p> <p>Colin Heywood: Review of affiliation fee.</p>		<p>Notes: Brad bought up the concern that Department of Sport & Active Recreation had sent an invitation for stakeholder engagement, re; the resurfacing. The invitation had indicated the project would take place 2022 or 2023. This is a big concern for all but especially for DAC, considering the restricted use that's in place to preserve the surface until repairs can be completed.</p> <p>Brad again raised presidents' meetings and would like to hold these moving forward quarterly.</p> <p>Cameron asked about who ASAC will affiliate with moving forward. ANT have received a letter from the ASAC committee advising that as of January 2022, junior athletes will register under LASA. A letter to <u>all</u> members will be drafted advising of their disaffiliation and the resulting effect of this.</p> <p>Colin mentioned item 8 in the 2020 minutes, re: review of affiliation fee. This was not required.</p>
11) Close	TIME: Meeting closed at 7.07 pm		Meeting recorded and saved to 2021 AGM file.

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Athletics NT Presidents Report 2021/2022

Like all associations, Athletics NT has had its fair share of challenges over the last few years however thanks to the great work of our team we are confident we are well placed to grow and develop further into the future.

Some of our achievements so far in 2022. For the first time since 2018, the NT sent 2 young athletes to Sydney for the Australian National Championships. Referred to as the “rare Pokémon” by the commentators we are hoping this continues and grows in the coming years. We also continue to support Officials who wish to further their careers in officiating.

Our home track has been given a much-needed facelift at Arafura Stadium. Works began to completely resurface the track in July and have been completed in time for the NT Championships in early November 2022. The NT Government investing \$2.6m into the project. We are looking forward to our facility being used as a launching platform for athletes from around the globe in the upcoming Commonwealth and Olympic games

The NT has continued to build on relationships with associations in both North Queensland and South Australia. Providing further development pathways to our dedicated athletes and officials. Offering opportunities to attend additional interstate events to further their development and exposure.

The 49th NT Santos City2Surf was held in Darwin in June 2022 with large numbers competing in this very successful event. Held annually, the NT City2Surf is an Iconic Event on the NT sporting calendar. We're looking forward to celebrating the 50th consecutive year of this event in 2023!

2022 saw the return of Athletics for the Outback to the NT. With the support of Rio Tinto and Athletics Australia, employment of a development officer to specialise in growing the sport and promoting healthy lifestyle in remote indigenous communities throughout the Northern Territory. The Inaugural Raise the Bar Camp supported 6 young First Nations students to travel to Darwin and experience further education and employment opportunities. This program, while in its infancy has proven to be a big hit, something we at Athletics NT are very proud to be associated with.

To finish off the success of the year we will be holding the NT Championships in November 2022 on our newly resurfaced track. Partnered with the School of Sport Education NT, Athletes will travel from Alice Springs and various remote communities to compete. Additionally, we will see athletes travel from North Queensland, Western Australia, and Victoria to test themselves in the Top End.

Regards,

Matt Gridley

Executive Officer Report

The Membership for 2022 has decreased by 20% as recorded in our member system. 452 new members and of those members, Northern Territory Athletics retained 19.25% from last year, according to REV Sport.

We continued to deliver monthly ANT and interclub competitions until the closure of the track in July. These were quite well attended. We held the 3000m/5000m track Championships in June. Opening the event to athletes from other sports increase participant numbers.

Modules of a Level 3 coaching course were offered throughout the start of the year. Several new coaches have completed their training online and 8 coaches attended the multi-phase Level 3 course.

This year we delivered a very successful NT Santos City2Surf Festival. Trialing for the first time to bring back a Street Mile

Athletes from several clubs have travelled to interstate competitions and National Championships. These athletes represented their clubs and the Territory proudly and I congratulate them on the achievements. A swag of medals were bought back to the NT, along with a few new NT Records.

The track resurface was completed in October. 3 weeks ahead of schedule. The final spend will be \$2.6m and will see the replacement of the synthetic grass in May 2023. While the track was closed, we saw great club collaboration. Darwin Athletics and Madfrogs training moved to Essington School, which although not perfect did the job for the short term. Darwin Athletes also attended Rural Athletics on Saturday mornings to get a bit of competition practice!

We have continued a strong relationship with Athletics Australia and have also worked very closely with our interstate partners to have a united sport approach. Developing strong relationships with Oceania Athletics Association, Athletics North Queensland and Little Athletics and Athletics South Australia.

Thank you to the board for your ongoing support

Leanne Chin

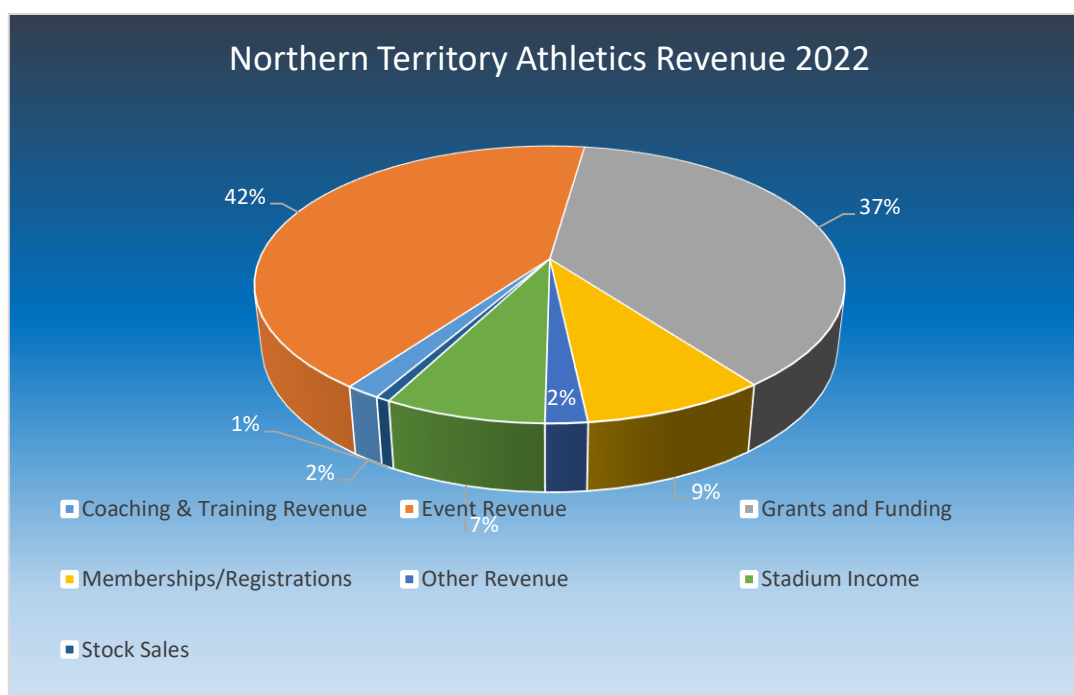
Financial Report Financial Year ending June 2022

Northern Territory Athletics had another great year finishing the year with a net profit of \$36,000.15, further increasing its net equity to \$237,794.56

If we compared the profit result with the prior year it should be noted that much of this was attributed to having City2Surf twice in one year and government assistance for COVID. Plus, also memberships and stadium income are down this year due to having to close the track to rebuild. All in all, if we compare to pre COVID times, the 2019 profit was very similar.

Overall, the main sources of revenue for the 2022 financial year were from Events at 42%, Grants 37%, Memberships 9% Stadium 7% and, with the remaining 5% including coaching, interest, and sponsorship.

As expected, now that COVID and its restrictions has since ceased, expenditure increased by 39% which was mainly due to now staff returning to full time, increased travel including fuel costs & depreciation on vehicle purchased June last year. Further savings and reduced costs were made in computer & IT, Telephone and stadium.



Notes to the Accounts	2022	2021
Cash at Bank	255,569.35	170,740.35
Trade & Sundry Debtors	60,607.00	85,309.48
Trade & Sundry Creditors	-75,423.18	-64,616.32
Unexpended Grants	-35,402.31	-33,916.69
Masters & Development	-4,653.10	-4,653.10
Tax & Super & Leave Liabilities	-18,498.97	-11,154.49
Net Cash Position	182,198.79	141,709.23

Revenue	
Event Revenue	Lower due to prior year delivering 2 x City 2 Surf & 2 Team Challenge Events
Grants and Funding	Slightly lower due to Remote sports programs ending , However to note new funding commenced May/June for First Nations Coordinator
Memberships/Registrations	Lower due to decreased members as a result of track being closed for upgrade
Stadium Income	Lower mainly due to less school carnivals, due to track closure and rebuild
Expenditure	
Administration Expenses	Higher than last year. Overall savings included computer & IT, telephone and photocopier. Higher costs included workers comp insurance, cleaning and governance.
Depreciation	Higher than last year due to the addition of new vehicle in June 2021
Events	Lower than last year due to less events as detailed previously
Finance Costs	Lower, prior year included fees incurred for new finance contract on new vehicle
Motor Vehicle Expenses	Higher than prior year, mainly due to increased fuel costs
Participation expenses	Lower, Prior year mainly relates to remote Sports program
Stadium Expenses	Lower, mainly due to water charges and less watering
Travel	Higher due to ease of COVID restrictions
Wages & Salaries	Higher than prior year due to staff employed as full time, rather than part time.

Annual Financial Statements

Northern Territory Athletics Inc

ABN 62 193 172 165

For the year ended 30 June 2022

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Committee's Report

Northern Territory Athletics Inc For the year ended 30 June 2022

Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of Northern Territory Athletics Inc for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

Committee Members

The names of committee members at the date of this report are:

Committee Member	Position
Emma Kraft	Director
Matthew Gridley	Director
Sam Ajisafe	Director
Kate Heelan	Director
Lyndon Ross	Director

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were: to participate as a member of the National Sporting Body, Athletics Australia Limited, for the sport of athletics and encourage, advance and administer athletics throughout the Northern Territory of Australia.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The profit/(loss) after providing for income tax for the financial year amounted to \$36,000.15 (2021: profit of \$144,474.53)

Going Concern

This financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The ability of the association to continue to operate as a going concern is dependent upon the ability of the association to generate sufficient cashflows from operations to meet its liabilities. The members of the association believe that the going concern assumption is appropriate.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on:



Committee Member

Date 12/ 10/ 2022



Committee Member

Date / /

Income and Expenditure Statement

Northern Territory Athletics Inc For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Income		
Event Sales	161,305.97	260,625.59
Grants and Funding	142,959.38	176,541.82
Membership Income	32,455.36	38,615.39
Stadium Sales	28,376.87	36,360.71
ATO/Australian Gov Assistance	-	23,500.00
Interest Income	21.98	38.63
Other Revenue	16,103.55	19,340.37
Total Income	381,223.11	555,022.51
Gross Surplus	381,223.11	555,022.51
Expenditure		
Accounting Fees	16,530.00	15,690.00
Administration Expenses	18,905.03	15,048.30
Depreciation	15,643.50	7,891.15
Events Expenses	113,388.21	168,947.23
Finance Costs	290.04	1,037.38
Membership Expenses	17,897.38	18,060.96
Motor Vehicle Expenses	5,984.01	3,251.44
Other Cost of Sales	4,179.62	5,164.14
Participation Expenses	13,431.93	53,773.60
Stadium Expenses	37,638.30	50,619.79
Travel, Accommodation & Conference	6,066.78	2,555.48
Wages & Salaries	95,268.16	68,508.51
Total Expenditure	345,222.96	410,547.98
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax Adjustments	36,000.15	144,474.53
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit) Before Income Tax	36,000.15	144,474.53
Net Current Year Surplus After Income Tax	36,000.15	144,474.53

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

Financial Assets

Investments in financial assets are initially recognised at cost, which includes transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value, which is equivalent to their market bid price at the end of the reporting period. Movements in fair value are recognised through an equity reserve.

Accounts Payable and Other Payables

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period that remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

	2022	2021
2. Cash on Hand		
Bendigo Bank	254,167.91	169,773.68
Debit Card- Executive Officer	1,096.83	531.54
Debit Card- Finance Manager	204.61	189.63
Canteen Float	100.00	245.50
Total Cash on Hand	255,569.35	170,740.35
	2022	2021

3. Trade and Other Receivables

Trade Receivables		
Trade Debtors	60,607.00	84,061.79
Total Trade Receivables	60,607.00	84,061.79
Other Receivables		
Sundry Debtors	-	1,247.69
Withholding Tax Paid	69.30	69.30
Total Other Receivables	69.30	1,316.99
Prepayments		
Prepayments	4,738.84	8,702.08
Total Prepayments	4,738.84	8,702.08
Total Trade and Other Receivables	65,415.14	94,080.86
	2022	2021

4. Plant and Equipment, Motor Vehicles

Plant and Equipment		
Plant and Equipment at Cost		
Property, Plant & Equipment	23,328.88	17,324.70
Less Accumulated Depreciation on Property, Plant & Equipment	(15,554.25)	(13,982.65)
Training & Competition Equipment	77,618.34	77,618.34

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

Leases

Leases of PPE, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset (but not the legal ownership) are transferred to the association, are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for that period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term. Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation 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 receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Northern Territory Athletics Inc For the year ended 30 June 2022

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Act 2003*. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Association is exempt from income tax under Div 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the committee reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised in the income and expenditure statement.

Employee Provisions

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 provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

Assets and Liabilities Statement

Northern Territory Athletics Inc

As at 30 June 2022

	NOTES	30 JUN 2022	30 JUN 2021
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2	255,569.35	170,740.35
Trade and Other Receivables	3	65,415.14	94,080.86
Inventories		2,539.35	-
Total Current Assets		323,523.84	264,821.21
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment and Vehicles	4	76,136.17	85,775.49
Total Non-Current Assets		76,136.17	85,775.49
Total Assets		399,660.01	350,596.70
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	5	80,076.28	69,269.42
GST Payable		9,310.00	8,555.82
Provisions	6	6,393.03	2,598.67
Employee Entitlements	7	2,795.94	-
Loans	8	27,887.89	34,461.69
Unexpended Grants		35,402.31	33,916.69
Total Current Liabilities		161,865.45	148,802.29
Total Liabilities		161,865.45	148,802.29
Net Assets		237,794.56	201,794.41
Member's Funds			
Capital Reserve		237,794.56	201,794.41
Total Member's Funds		237,794.56	201,794.41

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

Statement By Members of the Committee

Northern Territory Athletics Inc For the year ended 30 June 2022

In our opinion:

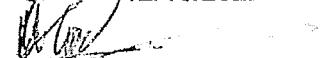
- (a) the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial statement, is drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 June 2022 and the results of the Association for the year ended on that date;
- (b) the accounts of the Association have been properly prepared and are in accordance with the books of account of the Association; and
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

(a) The name of each committee member of the association during the relevant financial year were:

Committee Member	Resigned
Lynne Jackson	30/11/21
Shane Wylie	30/11/21
Colin Heywood	30/01/22
Emma Kraft	
Matthew Gridley	
Sam Ajisafe	
Kate Heelan	
Lyndon Ross	

Signed at: Darwin

Signed on: 12/10/2022



Committee Member

Matthew Gridley



Committee Member

Ilisanmi Ajisafe

	2022	2021
Less Accumulated Depreciation on Training & Competition Equipment	(37,521.72)	(31,856.36)
Total Plant and Equipment at Cost	47,871.25	49,104.03
Total Plant and Equipment	47,871.25	49,104.03
Motor Vehicles		
Motor Vehicles	37,362.41	37,362.41
Less Accumulated Depreciation on Motor Vehicles	(9,097.49)	(690.95)
Total Motor Vehicles	28,264.92	36,671.46
Total Plant and Equipment, Motor Vehicles	76,136.17	85,775.49
	2022	2021
5. Trade and Other Payables		
Trade Payables		
Trade Creditors	34,020.15	24,674.14
Total Trade Payables	34,020.15	24,674.14
Other Payables		
Sundry Creditors	46,056.13	44,595.28
Total Other Payables	46,056.13	44,595.28
Total Trade and Other Payables	80,076.28	69,269.42
	2022	2021
6. Provisions		
Provision for Annual Leave	6,393.03	2,598.67
Total Provisions	6,393.03	2,598.67
	2022	2021
7. Employee Entitlements		
Superannuation Payable	2,795.94	-
Total Employee Entitlements	2,795.94	-
	2022	2021
8. Loans		
Current Liability		
Bendigo Bank- Subaru	29,725.15	37,314.55
Less: Unexpired Interest Subaru	(1,837.26)	(2,852.86)
Total Current Liability	27,887.89	34,461.69
Total Loans	27,887.89	34,461.69

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

Auditor's Report

Northern Territory Athletics Inc For the year ended 30 June 2022

Independent Auditors Report to the members of the Association

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Northern Territory Athletics Inc (the association), which comprises the committee's report, the assets and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2022, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, cash flow statement, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certification by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of Northern Territory Athletics Inc is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Act 2003* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, 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. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects (or gives a true and fair view –refer to the applicable state/territory Act), the financial position of Northern Territory Athletics Inc as at 30 June 2022 and (of) its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the requirements of the *Associations Act 2003*.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Northern Territory Athletics Inc to meet the requirements of the *Associations Act 2003*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.


Byrne David Haigh, Registered Company Auditor

BDH Consulting Pty Ltd

Date: 12/10/2022



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Club Reports



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2022 has again been a very challenging year with unprecedented challenges brought on by COVID-19. In this challenging time, we started our season again this year on time but the challenges of Covid, and a temporary club house and general numbers in sport in Katherine again down this year. Our numbers were low, but we had a committed crew of families with the love of Athletics, and a fabulous, committed Committee.

We have a consistent small core group of Athletes in attendance every week in ages 3 through to Masters, we also have a consistent little cohort of teenagers which is great given that they usually drift to a team sport.

Our canteen Manager Amanda has run her canteen out of the shed with limited equipment and facility's, we thank her.

We look forward to NT Championships with a small crew and a few extra School Sport Athletes wearing the green and gold.

For Katherine our challenges will continue through to the 2023 season with works being done at the venue, keys are yet to be handed over with no date yet set for this. Our shed space is good but we have lost the office in the new building and will have to share a canteen locker space. Our functioning long jump pit is also at stake at the moment given where council need to put there fence. With a \$63,000 quote to redo in a different location. I foresee that our club that has not been able to do High Jump or Hurdles for 2 years given the building up grade will now be without a Long/Triple jump.

We have stockpiled in 1 shed have 1 shed with equipment, office and a functioning canteen. This has been with challenges, but we have managed. We look forward to adding High Jump and Hurdles back to our program next season if our building is completed.

I am looking forward to our 2023 Season and what this may bring.

Nicole Simmonds
President & Coach
Katherine Athletics Centre



Darwin Athletics Club Report for Season 2022

Despite the interruptions that the track resurfacing caused, season 2022 for Darwin Athletics was highly successful for the athletes, committee, and their families. It presented opportunities of collaboration and relationship building with ANT, The Essington School and in particular Rural Athletics Centre. Plans are afoot to strengthen the RAC/DAC relationship during season 2023, to support both the competitive and social aspects for athletes and families.

A new committee was elected in May which saw former President Brad Cunnington stepping down, after several years in the role. The Club is incredibly grateful for his time, efforts and dedication towards DAC. They were invaluable and beyond expectation as he dealt with changes in his life. Several positions had been vacant from the previous year and were mostly filled by both new and previous families. The role of Canteen Co-ordinator was combined with the Treasurer position. The committee meet regularly at various venues throughout the year.

Registrations totalled 152, slightly down from the previous year. However, due to fewer coaches (3 regular and 2 AWD) we were not able to meet demand. The committee decided that the coach to athlete ratio needed to support athlete development firstly. Secondly, new coaches required support to develop their confidence and skills as they managed up to 26 participants. The Tiny Tot program numbers were strong also and this continues to be a popular option for Darwin families.

The track upgrade led to a change in training venue for DAC, to the Essington School in Rapid Creek, sourced by ANT. This venue significantly reduced the events that could be safely undertaken and despite the efforts of ANT with regards to the installation of a long jump pit at this venue, it proved problematic. The smaller space resulted in age groups training on different evenings which lessened participation numbers. However, notwithstanding the challenges, Head Coach Brad Cunnington was able to create an engaging and productive program to meet the needs of the athletes who were able to attend. Again, special thanks to Brad Cunnington for securing a shipping container to store and relocate equipment and also to ANT for their support with the transfer including administrative tasks and securing an extension to the initial contract of usage with The Essington School.

In the spirit of cooperation and support, Rural Athletics Centre offered an open invitation to all DAC members to attend their trainings sessions on Monday and Wednesday afternoons at Fred's Pass. This led to a combined DAC/RAC Championships in August which saw great collaboration and cooperation between clubs, athletes and families. It is true, as said by singer/songwriter Paul Kelly "from little things, big things grow". This led to "team Darwin" relay teams during the NQ Championships in Townsville in late September. Athletes were supportive of one another and real relationships were cemented. RAC were instrumental to the results of the DAC athletes, which would not have been so positive without their support. At the conclusion of the championships a combined RAC/DAC dinner was held, with both Presidents addressing the group. The clubs are hopeful of continuing this into season 2023 and have already discussed future events to foster competition and social opportunities.

The committee determined that the disrupted season was not conducive to providing equity amongst all athletes and therefore champions in each age group were not awarded in 2022. However, a record of achievement and participation medal was presented to each athlete who took part in the combined DAC/RAC championships. Presentation evening in mid-September saw several DAC athletes being presented with a DAC training bag to recognise their commitment at the NQ Championships and Special Olympics. The committee also decided to provide food and drinks to members and families as

a gesture to recognise their financial contribution, despite less time at the track. This was warmly received and very well attended.

Earlier in the season, seven members attended a Level 1 Community Coaching course, delivered by Roger Chin, and subsidised by ANT, five of these were under 17. This resulted in support to the incumbent coaches during regular and Tiny Tot trainings. The Tiny Tot program was delivered on a Saturday on the grass warm-up area of Arafura Stadium, which also provided access to the toilets during the upgrade construction. Again, it is worth mentioning the commitment of Head Coach Brad Cunnington who managed this program in addition to two subsequent training sessions for other age groups. The younger coaches' involvement was welcomed by participants and families alike and provided them with a supportive environment to develop their coaching skills.

A volunteer roster was established during the initial part of the season, to support the coaches with the delivery of the training program and events. We were also able to share the load of the canteen and BBQ duties on Friday evenings. Such an initiative fostered connections between families and promoted cooperation across the club. Overall, this was highly successful.

I am most grateful of the committee and their efforts throughout the season. New Treasurer Helen Metcalfe has been meticulous with finances and managing several other tasks such as Canteen Coordinator. Naomi Barnes as Secretary has carried out updates to the website, assessed records, managed communication with members and supported all athletes during regular training sessions and at the DAC/RAC and ANT Championships. Her husband Kahlum, has also contributed in the Registrar space, although work commitments have meant that Naomi took up the reins with this during the year.

Lastly, but most importantly the efforts of our coaches this season has been outstanding. My sincere thanks to Lara Andropov, Karen Urquhart, Gina Patterson, Dan McIntyre and Brad Cunnington for your patience, expertise and dedication to our athletes. As a result, they have developed both as athletes and as young people.



REPORT FOR ATHLETICS NT AGM

It's been a fairly quiet year for the Frogs which is reflected in this report.

Our 2022 season officially commenced on 6 March with our Annual General Meeting. Nola Brockie, Lyn Guelfi and Ruth Garden were re-elected as President, Secretary and Treasurer respectively.

After two years of some COVID disruptions, we were looking forward to a 'normal' year but that was not to be with the refurbishment of the track - some short term pain for long term gain. We continued with throws training at Essington School (Sunday) and Alawa oval (Wednesday) but we are keen to return to the fantastic facilities we have at Marrara.

Membership

MAD has welcomed a few new members this season taking our number to nineteen, including one tadpole.

Coaching

We were most grateful to Sam for doing some jumps coaching with us prior to the track closing. A thank you also to Cameron who did a shot put and hammer session with us.

ANT support

We have supported Athletics NT during the year by manning water stops at the Australia Day Fun Run, City to Surf and Run4Reef.

In closing

MAD Frogs sincerely thank Leanne and the Athletics NT Board for the great work done this year, particularly in relation to the track upgrades.

We look forward to working together in 2023.

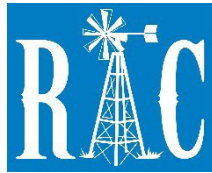
Nola Brockie
President

Lyn Guelfi
Secretary



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Rural Athletics Centre Report 2021

Rural Athletics Centre Report 2022 The 2022 season again saw a successful track and field season at Freds Pass Sport & Recreation Reserve. Our membership remained strong with 144 registered athletes of which 83 were new members and the age range was 3 years to 68 years of age.

We commenced the 2022 season with four athletes travelling to Adelaide to compete at the SA Championships in February. We held three Come & Try days in late March/early April and held Meet 1 of our season on 9th April, finishing with the combined RAC/DAC Championships at Freds Pass across three weeks 13-27 August. With Marrara being out of action necessitating the combined champs, it was a great success with both clubs enjoying the opportunity and opens up for discussion how we do it in 2023.

With the NT Championships pushed out to November due to relaying of the track at Arafura Stadium, 13 athletes aged from 9 years through to Masters took the opportunity to travel across to Townsville in September to compete at the NQ Championships, supported by a great crew of coaches and parents. Flight changes and cancellations caused a few dramas but everyone made it in the end and big thanks to Athletics NQ for accommodating our athletes in other age groups when they missed their scheduled event due to the flight issues. It was a fantastic weekend with PBs galore and several podium finishes and we encourage other members of the club to start planning to attend in 2023.

We round out the year with 36 athletes competing at the NT Championships.

A very big thank you to the RAC Committee, to our coaching staff of Dave, Cameron, Roger, Steven, Jo, Siobhan and all the parents who stepped in the help with training sessions, and to all our volunteers at Saturday competition. There is no way we could do what we do without you! Thank you to all our athletes on their efforts and performances over the year



2022 President's Report



Key points:

- 28 individual events conducted with over 500 unique participants for an average of 56 people per event
- Approximately 120 individual volunteers throughout the year, including 103 volunteers for West Macs Monster event
- Very sound financial position, a result of a conservative year of spending following uncertainty and profitable West Macs Monster. Club now required to register for GST.

Club Objective 1:

to promote and encourage running and walking as sports, as a means of healthy exercise and the improvement of community fitness for individuals of all ages and abilities

Key challenges:

- Challenging for a volunteer club to meet the diverse and changing needs of the running and walking community (all ages and abilities) but many opportunities exist
- How to track and evaluate the success of this

Utilising digital media

The Club has been utilising digital media, photos, videos, and posters to actively promote participation in running and walking.

3272 followers on the ASRWC Facebook page.

2100 followers on the West Macs Monster Facebook page.

1190 followers of the West Macs Monster Instagram account.

Strava social network

85% of members* use Strava to log their running and walking activities and the Club has used direct engagement and event promotion through this platform. This platform has large potential to encourage community in running and walking as a form of 'digital' word-of-mouth promotion and overlaps with a broader audience of cyclists, mountain bikers, swimmers, and triathletes.

*based on mid-year member survey, 44 respondents out of 154 members

Club Objective 2:

to promote, conduct and encourage participation in organised running and walking events as both serious and leisure activities

Key challenges:

- *time and cost required to make sure events are safe and comply with various rules that apply*
- *planning events well in advance and having faith they will be attended by participants and required volunteers*
- *delivering 'enough' events that are engaging distances/terrain/schedule for a diverse audience*
- *having sufficient technical know-how and ease in operation of equipment, policies, past agreements, and procedures*

ASRWC currently has 161 members, a growth of 10% on last year's total. Approximately one third of members this year are first-timers to ASRWC.

The club conducted 28 individual running or walking events between September 2021 and September 2022, with an average of 58 registered entries per event and 500+ individual unique participants overall.

5km River Run

5km River Runs were introduced as a free monthly event enabling new people to try ASRWC events in a convenient and consistent location, introducing them to the run/walk community and Club events while streamlining some volunteer load. Average 45 participants and approximately 180 unique participants for 8 events

West Macs Monster Trail Running Festival

The **West Macs Monster** received 328 registered competitors (100 locals)—growth of 21%--103 volunteers (including local and interstate volunteers), and according to *Northern Territory Major Events Corporation*, **contributed \$848,000 of economic investment into the Central Australian Economy.**

Australia Day Fun Run cancelled in 2022

Early in its tenure the 2022 Committee began preparing for this large event. After strong recommendation to consult with Aboriginal runners it was clear the event would not be inclusive without significant preparation beyond the capacity of the Committee at that time and presented a risk to the *Fun, Fitness, and Friendship* values of the club so was cancelled.

To avoid cancellation in 2023 and improve community outcomes, the Committee has commenced consultation and coordination of this event, with Life Member **Deborah Page** delegated the responsibility of Event Director for 2023. Planning, consultation, and grant applications for the event are currently underway.

Tracking satisfaction and word-of-mouth promotion

87% of post-event survey respondents said they would be *certain to recommend ASRWC events to their friend(s)*, with a clear improvement and consistently excellent score after a slow start in 2022.

Other key event highlights this year included:

- **Red Centre Adventures Four Corners** trail run series had 91 registered participants and included 12 volunteers
- **Simpson's Gap Bike Path Half Marathon** enabled a half-marathon distance while avoiding traffic management risks and achieved 74 participants for the 21.1km, 10km, and kiddie kilometre distances
- **Club Uniform developed** – intended to foster a sense of belonging and promote the club and its values. Sales will open up to members in January 2023

Club Objective 3:

to make awards which serve to recognise service given to, or benefits conferred on, the Association or its members

Key challenge:

- *Largely the same core group of members undertaking most organisation*
- *Finding incentives and removing barriers for volunteer participation*

Establishment of Member of the Month

Established 'Member of the Month', recognising great contributors publicly while also rewarding recipients with a \$50 voucher from one of the Club's partners.

The following members have received **Member of the Month Awards**:

June 2022 - Debbie Page

September 2022 - Hansie Muller

August 2022 - John Bermingham

October 2022 – Carolyn Cann

Annual Awards 2021

In February 2022 the Committee selected the following, who were announced at the **InterSport 2km/4km** event:

Club Champion - Jessica Toll

Most improved - Amy Stockwell

Athlete of the year - David Busuttil

Junior Athlete of the year - Nicholas Boffa

Performance of the year - Rodney Angelo

Club Objective 4:

to provide a suitable environment to encourage and foster the development of talent

Key challenge:

- *encouraging competitiveness and endeavour in all capabilities*
- *providing access to development support and coaching*

The Committee implemented features into its 2022 Calendar that challenge participants to set goals and reward their effort.

Re-establishment of the 'PB Bell'

The long-retired PB was established for participants to ring publically and celebrate when they achieve their 'personal best' time over the 5km distance.

Other initiatives continued or implemented this year:

- *Tuesday morning interval training – Rhonda Diano Oval (Head Street, Braitling)*
- *Nutrition and hydration awareness session – conducted in April with 27 registered participants*
- *'First member across the line wins a voucher' – incentivising membership and effort*
- *Ramping up distances throughout the season – starting with 5km distance and providing progressive loading of distances up to Half Marathon to challenge participants to work toward larger goal and possible interstate marathons or ultramarathons*

Club Objective 5:

to apply the income of the Association for the purpose of promoting the objectives of the Association

Key challenge:

- *Uncertain incomes, long supply lead-times and rising supplier costs*

Strong financial position

The club is in a very strong financial position due to conservative spending in 2022 and a profitable West Macs Monster for two consecutive years. Long supply lead-times prevented purchases of some merchandise and equipment for the 2022 West Macs Monster, meaning budget was unspent. For this reason the club retains approximately \$153,000 in its bank accounts and there are intentions to use these funds in 2023 to acquire long lasting and easy-to-use equipment to help deliver quality events.

Revenues for the club in 2022 were primarily through approximately \$93,000 in ticket sales for the West Macs Monster and other events, and an NT Government grant of approximately \$38,000 from *NT Major Events Corporation*. Merchandise sales contributed approximately \$5,500 revenues to the club.

Major expenses for the club in 2022 were operating costs for the West Macs Monster, including medical costs and data/technology expenses associated with the running of the event.

ASRWC now required to register for GST

A consequence of the ASRWC now having annual turnover of \$150,000 means this not-for-profit club is now required to register for GST as per ATO rules. This requires additional administration steps for the treasurer and the committee and will likely increase fees slightly for event participation.

Looking forward to 2023

In 2023 I would encourage the Committee to have its sights set on creating a 3-year strategic plan, possibly centred around:

1. *the sustainable growth of the West Macs Monster that meets the objectives of the Club*
2. *return of the Alice Springs Masters Games, Alice Springs Marathon, and King of the Mountain to the calendar involving more of the community in running and walking*
3. *removing barriers for newcomers to participate, improving runner and walker safety, and access to talent development opportunities*

Thanks to the ASRWC Management Committee

Many thanks to the Club Management Committee for its dedication to progressing the club over the past year.

It's been an honour and a challenge to get to lead and serve alongside this diverse group that meets together to make choices that steer this ship that is the ASRWC, now in its 43rd year.

I encourage anyone who is up for taking on the responsibility and commitment—but also joy and personal growth—to put their hand up for the Committee starting at the AGM in November 2022.

Cail Rayment,

2022 President

Alice Springs Running & Walking Club

Darwin Runners and Walkers Inc

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Board Member
Nominees
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Life Member
Nominees

Board Of Directors Nominations

Lyndon Ross

Lyndon has served as a board member on not-for-profit organisations for the last six years and currently serves as the treasurer on the boards of both the Foster and Kinship Carers Association Northern Territory (FKCNT) and on the Northern Territory Police Basketball Association (NTPBA).

Working as a not-for-profit board member has allowed him to play a key role in the success of these important enterprises. It allows him to learn about proposed changes before they happen and become part of the discussion. The important part is to be objective at all times and help deliver better outcomes and more fulfilled lives for NT residents and children.

Lyndon Ross is a telecommunications, surveillance systems and security network designer. He has been the Senior Project Manager and Technical lead responsible for the construction of many significant NT projects of Australian national importance.

During the first twenty years of his career, he held a variety of trade appointments throughout Australia as a satellite engineer for the federal government.

His formal qualifications include Computer Systems and Electronic Engineering (RMIT), Business Management (Finance) and Leadership and Administration. He is a long-time territory resident and has five Territorian children who are keen NT athletes and sport representatives.

Penny Renc

Penny has a long history of involvement in sport, including netball, hockey, soccer and triathlon. In the last five years, Penny has taken up ultrarunning and regularly volunteers and participates in long distance and ultra-running events.

Penny is a practicing solicitor with previous experience advising the not-for-profit sector on governance arrangements and regulatory compliance, and sitting as a member of a sports disciplinary tribunal.

Having recently moved to the NT, I am looking forward to supporting sports development in the community.

Sean Goff

Sean has recently finished a 28-year career with the Australian Navy, where he specialised as a Naval Police Officer and Investigator. Sean fell in love with the NT and decided to leave the Navy to allow him to remain in Darwin. He is now employed by the Northern Territory Government as a Principal Investigator.

This is Sean's first appointment as a board member, and he is excited to be able to contribute his time and effort helping Territorians live a better and healthier lifestyle. Sean's work with the Navy has allowed him to

complete intensive leadership and management training, resulting in a passion for good leadership utilising humanistic principals and methodologies.

Sean's formal qualifications include Leadership and Management, Investigations, Fraud Control, Security and Risk Management. Sean has been married to Melissa for 26 years and has five adult children and nine grandchildren.

Casey Hua

Casey is a qualified CPA currently working at Deloitte Darwin, with more than 10 years' experience in providing accounting and taxation advice to a diverse range of private business and corporate clients including not – for – profit organisations.

Casey has experience in advising business matters including appropriate business structuring, cash flow planning, preparation of financial statements in accordance with the Corporations Law and Australian Accounting Standards requirements.

Casey has lived in Darwin for more than 3 years and looks forward to making a contribution to the Athletics NT Community.

Roger Chin

Roger has a varied background includes playing multiple sports as a junior and senior; worked as a miner, supermarket manager, soldier, public servant; athletics coach and official.

Involved in athletics in the Northern Territory since 2004, firstly as a volunteer parent, then jumps coach, club coach, club official...progressing onto an Athletics NT senior coach, NT All Schools and School Sports Coach and an Australia Technical Official (Officiated at the Commonwealth Games in 2018). Mentoring athletes and parents to become Level 1 Officials and have concentrated on mentoring a number of juniors as future Officials.

A senior coach for Athletics NT until 2018, Roger has coached athletes of all ages and abilities. He has taken representative teams to the Australian All Schools championships, to Singapore for an invitational club competition and to the BIMP(/NT)-EAGA Friendship Games (Brunei-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines (and now NT) East Asia Growth Area).

As a coach, official and competitor, Roger has a focus on the development of Athletics and encouraging families to allow their children to have a "go" at the sport – after all athletics is the grassroots sport that is the basis for all other sports.

Life Membership Nominations

Nola Brockie

Nola has been involved with athletics in the Northern Territory for over 20 years. She is a founding member and the president of Mature Athletes Darwin (MAD Frogs) which was formed in 2000 as a club specifically for Masters Athletes. As well as being a regular competitor during this time, Nola has provided service to ANT by officiating, assisting at Athletics NT-run community events and being a strong advocate and voice for local masters athletics issues.

Nola continues to welcome new and returning masters athletes to our sport. She is happy to share her knowledge and provide encouragement in a friendly, social environment, regardless of ability level. Over the years, she has arranged training workshops and sessions with a variety of coaches, both local and from interstate, to help develop the skill level and abilities of the masters' cohort. Nola is certainly the driving force behind the MAD Frogs club.

Throughout Nola's 20-plus years of involvement in athletics, she has always acted in the best interests of the sport in the NT. She is a fair competitor, always respectful of her fellow athletes and officials. She has sought to promote the sport for masters at Council Of The Ageing events and was involved in the organisation of the 2017 AMA Championships held in Darwin. Her actions on and off the field reflect the values of Athletics NT in the promotion and conduct of the sport.

Nola acts and continues to act, in accordance with the principles of the World Athletics Code of Ethics. Having such a high standard of integrity, Nola has never been involved, nor would she engage in, any activities which would bring disrepute to athletics such as doping, betting or any other corrupt conduct.

At 84, Nola shows no sign of retiring from athletics. She continues to strive for improvement, advocate for masters athletics and strongly support Athletics Northern Territory as an organisation. She is a role model for athletes, young and old, and would be a deserving recipient of Athletics NT life membership.

Life Membership Nominations

Emma Kraft

Emma has provided over 15 years of service to Athletics NT and the running community, both local, intrastate, interstate, National and International. Emma was a late bloomer to Athletics and didn't start until late in high school (1998). Here she travelled from Alice Springs to compete at her first NT Champs and fell in love with the sport. She then went on and made her first NT team to compete at the Pacific School Games in 2000 in Sydney, exposing her to her first National competition. Returning to Alice Springs after University in 2006, Emma joined a local training group which gave her a pathway to then join the Alice Springs Running and Walking Club and started to compete locally, intrastate and interstate. Over the years, Emma has competed at Four (4) Arafura Games in Darwin, her first one being in 2001. Emma not only established herself as one of the best Alice Springs and the best NT Female Open Athlete, but she also made her name at the National and International competition. Emma has also had a sense of community and served on the Alice Springs Running and Walking Club committee for several years, she is a current Athletics NT Board member and has been since 2016. She has also assisted in many events, and by providing or coordinated 'Sports Medicine'. At several events, including the biannual Alice Springs Master Games, where she also served as a Race director for a 10km walk event at Simpsons Gap. Emma has volunteered many hours of her time in various roles, assisting many people and organizations.

Emma has always been the face of running and is well known for her Athletic achievements, her sense of community and her encouragement of others to participate in running, walking, track and field. Emma has coordinated many Level 1 Athletics Australia coaching courses in Alice Springs and a Level 2 course, building the capacity of coaches, skills and mentors within the area. Also, with Emma's presences at events this has raised the profile of these events, also while she is there, she has always taken the time to encourage and mentor others, especially the younger generation. She has gone into schools as a guest speaker, on numerous occasions to talk 'all things running' and to encourage kids not only to run, jump or throw, but to pursue their own dreams and live a healthy and active lifestyle. She has volunteered on numerous occasions, and she can always be counted on. Emma has had a lot to do with the Indigenous Marathon Project and has always supported the runners and their events, including taking community teams (Alice Springs, Areyonga and Mutijulu) to the National Deadly Running Championships at Uluru for a number of years. She instigated and facilitated Athletics Australia Athletics for the Outback' first remote Central Australian visit to Yuendumu working closely with the school and the community. She also attended an ARMtour (Athletes as Role Models) through NASCA (National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy) with the remote community of Laramba, where she brought her skills of run, jump, throw to the kids to assist them in movement, skill development and healthy and active lifestyle.

Emma also managed and facilitated the Red Dust Games for the mini-Olympics held in Alice Springs in 2016, held by the future leader program at Grant Thornton Australia (Melbourne). With the main Athletics facility booked out (Rhonda Diano/Head St Oval) and over 70 interstate airfares, accommodation and over 200 kids (and teachers) coming in from 5 central remote indigenous communities Emma navigated her way through to find a suitable location (Blatheskite Park) to host the mini-Olympics. This included line-marking and transporting in sand to provide safe long jump pits and an oval that wasn't initially cut out for an Athletics.

Over the years, there are many forms of service Emma has provided to Athletics NT in the role of coaching, volunteering, administration, mentoring, sportsmanship, capacity building and encouragement. However, Emma's breakthrough year came in 2011, where she placed 2nd in the Perth City to Surf, 3rd in Melbourne's City 2 Sea events, and achieved National rankings for the 5000m and 10,000m which gave her the belief to really give this a go. However, her biggest highlight was in 2013, when she came 3rd (Bronze) at the National Mountain Running Championships in Canberra, which were also the selection trials for the World Mountain Running Championships in Poland. Here, Emma made

her first Australian team, where historically she is 1 of 2 senior NT athletes to make an Australian IAAF team, (the other being Crystal Attenborough at the Commonwealth Games). She was the first athlete from Alice Springs to ever represent Australia in Athletics.

At her first World Mountain Running Championships, Emma ran the race of her life and finished in 59th position (out of 80 athletes) and was the first Australian open female athlete to cross the line. After this, she then made the 2014 Australian Mountain Running Team, was team manager for the 2015 Team (due to injury) and was a team member again in 2017 and attended the Masters World Mountain Running Championship in 2019.

In 2017 Emma was crowned Oceania Trail Running Champion at a 22km trail event in New Caledonia, she has then continued on as an Ambassador (now XTERRA New Caledonia) and competed and podium finished again in 2018 and 2019. (Emma hasn't been back due to COVID-19).

Life Membership Nominations

Cameron Burrows

Cameron has been the mainstay of the Rural Athletics Centre (RAC) for approximately 20 years. Like most parents, he started supporting the club when his daughter, Rebecca, was a junior. Cameron moved from just being a parent volunteer, to a basic coach, club coach (doing the various coaching courses through Athletics Australia), he is an All-Round Coach who has knowledge of all disciplines within the sport. Cameron is an Australian Technical Official who has attended Australian National Championships.

Over the years, Cameron has worked hard to develop the RAC club as a committee member and now club President. As an Athletics NT board member, Cameron also strived to see what else could be done to improve the development of the Association. His passion has always been to see the success of the athletes and the Association. His dedication to Athletics NT saw him serve as the association President in 2010.

Cameron is also an accomplished throws athlete, in the master's division. His passion for throws regularly sees him encouraging junior athletes and providing technical advice to help them improve.

As a coach, Cameron has attended several interstate competitions supporting NT athletes and as an official. In 2016, Cameron was the senior coach for the NT athletics team that competed at the BIMP-EAGA (Brunei-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines – East Asia Growth Area) Friendship Games in East Kalimantan. Although the team only consisted of two athletes, they brought home a bronze medal in track and a gold medal for Javelin...the gold medalist being one of Cameron's club athletes.

Cameron is very active in assisting anyone who seeks it. Over the years he has provided support to all athletes, regardless of age or ability. Cameron regularly helps athletes from all clubs to improve their performances by providing encouragement during competition warm-up or from the sidelines, cheering the athlete on.

A strong, confident, and loyal member of Athletics NT, he is also a solid volunteer, official and coach for the Association. Aside from his contribution to athletics, Cameron is also a solid community volunteer and volunteer firefighter, receiving many awards for his service.