



Hallett Cove Little Athletics Centre Inc.

Awards Policy

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This policy details all the awards that are available to members of the Hallett Cove Little Athletics Centre Inc. The number of or the criteria of awards can be changed by the Management Committee or the AGM of the Centre in accordance with the Constitution of Hallett Cove Little Athletics Centre.

Life Membership

Athletes Life Membership

1. Any athlete who has been registered with the centre for eight seasons shall be eligible for Life Membership.
2. The athlete must have been an "active" member of the centre, in that they have regularly attended centre meets, and been involved in Special Meets and Association Meets/Championships.
3. The athlete must be of good character.
4. The Centre Registrar is to present a list of athletes who have met the length of membership criteria to the committee. This shall be the only way an athlete may be nominated for Life Membership.
5. The centre committee has the final decision on the awarding of Life Membership to an athlete.
6. Life Memberships will be presented at the centre AGM.
7. Have name included on honour board

Adult Life Membership

All nominees for Life Membership must have met the following criteria:

1. The nominee must have a minimum of eight years service to the centre.
2. The nominee must have given **extra meritorious service** to the centre in this time. Note: 'Extra meritorious service' will typically include a period of service on the centre committee (more than one season) as well as being regularly involved in the running of centre meets, or the coaching of Athletes. Generally, a nominee will have provided service '**above and beyond**' what is expected of all parents involved in Little Athletics.
3. Nominations for Life Membership may be made by any adult member of the Centre and must be submitted in writing to the centre secretary 28 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
4. The Committee will present all nominations that meet the criteria to the AGM for resolution.
5. Life Members of the centre may be appointed by a simple majority vote of the adult members of the Centre.
6. All successful nominations will have their awards presented at the centre's annual presentation ceremony.

Life Membership Award- Athlete

All athlete Life Members will:

1. Receive a plaque inscribed with the following:

Centre Logo
Life Membership awarded to:
Name
In recognition of 8 years participation with
Hallett Cove Little Athletics Centre
'Date'

2. A small gift to the value of \$10. All athletes in the same year are to receive the same gift.

Life Membership Award- Adult

All adult Life Members will:

1. Receive a plaque inscribed with the following:

Logo
Life Membership awarded to:
Name
In recognition of your outstanding contribution to
Hallett Cove Little Athletics Centre
"Date"

2. Receive a Life Membership wine glass, one inscribed on the front with:
'For Services above and Beyond' name and Centre logo.
3. Have name included on centre's Honour Board

Club Captains

The 'Club Captains' award is designed to encourage leadership, and retain senior Athletes is awarded to the **two most senior athletes** who:

- Have at least four years of membership with the Club
- Have been an 'active' member of the Centre, in that they have regularly attended Centre meets, and been involved in Special Meets and Association Meets/Championships.
- The athletes must be of good character.

The award is decided by the management committee at the start of the season. Captain's duties include:

- Participate in pre meeting 'warm ups'
- Assist with athlete presentations for personal bests, centre best etc.
- Act as a liaison between the athletes and the Committee
- They are able to attend committee meetings as athletes representative

The captains will receive a name badge (as per committee members) with Club Captain inscribed at the start of the season.

The club captains will receive a small gift (e.g. trophy, key ring / glassware) at the AGM inscribed:

Club Captain
Name
HCLAC
Season date

Have name included on **Centre's Honour Board**

State Team Selection

Any Athlete selected in the South Australian State Team will be awarded \$100 towards meeting their costs.

Their names will be also inscribed on to the **Centre's Honour Board**

Centre Best Awards

1. The athlete must be a full, financial member of the centre on the date the performance is recorded.
2. Centre Best Performances (CBPs) will be recorded in the Under 9 to Under 17 age groups for both sexes and Junior Best Performance for Under 6 to Under 8 age groups for both sexes.
3. All performances must be recorded between the 1st October and the 30th April the following year.
4. For a Centre Best to be ratified at centre level, the event must be officiated as follows:
 - For track events, the chief timekeeper, being a graded official, will time first place in all races and, where practicable, will also have a check timer, with the final time being determined according to SALAA rules. The timekeepers are to keep a record of who is timing at the meet.
 - For field events, the event must be conducted by a graded official, acting as the chief official for that event. This official will ensure that the event is conducted under SALAA rules. At the conclusion of the competition this official is to sign the recording sheet, to verify the accuracy of the results.
 - For walking events, in addition to the requirements for track events, the walk must be judged by a panel of at least three walks' judges according to SALAA rules. The chief judge is to complete an event summary showing all reports, and sign this summary.
5. Any performance recorded at HCLAC meets that betters or equals the current CBP will be deemed the new CBP, providing the conditions in (3) above are satisfied.
6. Performances recorded at an Association Championship Event, and are shown in the official results for that event, that better or equal an existing CBP will be deemed a new CBP.
7. Performances recorded at a Personal Best Day, Regional Day, or programmed inter-centre meet that better or equal an existing CBP will be subject to verification by the Centre recorder.
8. Performances recorded by Athletes visiting other centres individually will not be eligible for CBP's.
9. CBP certificates will be awarded at the meet following the monthly meeting of the centre committee to the Athletes who have bettered an existing CBP in the previous month. If a CBP has been broken more than once, only the best performance will receive a certificate. In the case of equal records, all children equalling the CBP receive a certificate.
10. The list of CBP's will be published in the Centre Handbook at the commencement of each season.
11. All events where CBP's can be claimed will be published in the calendar contained in the Centre Handbook.

Annual Centre Awards

Centre awards will be awarded in each age group.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the following awards all athletes must have competed in at least 70% of Centre meetings held at the centre or joint meetings, including Regional Day since that athlete registered. Meets cancelled due to weather or events at SANTOS are not included in the count of eligible meets.

With the exception of Tiny Tots, an athlete will be deemed to have attended a meet if they compete in at least 50% of events held for their age group at that meet.

E.g.: A typical season of 20 meets will require attendance at 14 meets. If two are lost due to heat, then will require attending 13 meets.

The Committee may lower the cut-off percentages if necessary to ensure fairness to athletes.

The Committee may also take individual personal circumstances into consideration when making awards. Athletes who feel they have reason for special consideration should notify the registrar IN WRITING 30 days before the Annual General Meeting / Presentation.

The following awards will be given:

Five Star Achievement Awards

This award is a performance-based award where the athlete's performance is measured on a table. A "star rating" is given on their best three events (two track and one field, or vice versa) that give them the highest score. A copy of this table is included in the 'show bag' given to athletes at the start of the season.

Points are calculated at the end of the qualification date for the State Individual Championships and awards are presented at the Annual Presentation Night.

Mayor of Marion Junior Athlete Encouragement Award

For the junior athlete (under 6 - 8 ages) the most improved male and female for the season will awarded a trophy to be presented by the Mayor of the City of Marion, (or representative /HCLAC Club Captain's) to be inscribed:

**Mayor's Junior Encouragement Award
Most Improved Male / Female Athlete U6 – U8**

**Name:
HCLAC
'Date'**

This award will be based on results from the most improved awards as per the criteria mentioned above (most improved award). The eligible male and female who have shown the greatest improvement through the season will be awarded the trophy.

Mayor of the City of Marion Junior Participation Medal

Awarded to all junior athletes (Under 8 and below) including Tiny Tots, who participate in at least 70% of eligible meetings after registration (see above for details).

This medal will be presented by the Mayor of City of Marion (or representative / Club Captains) inscribed:

Mayor's Junior Participation

**Name:
HCLAC
'Date'**

A separate invoice will be requested from the trophy supplier and invoice forwarded to the Mayor of Marion.

Nb: A letter of thanks should be sent to the Mayor for their support plus invitation to attend the AGM (ideally soon after the program has been finalised). As per discussion with Mayor's PA \$250 to cover cost of awards

Most Improved Award

In each age group an award will be given to the athlete who improves the most over the season.

For ages Under 6 to Under 8:

- There will be an award given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

For Under 9 and above:

- Only one award per age group.

The award will be a silver medal and for Under 6 to Under 8 a gold, silver and bronze medal. The award will be based on the allocation of the following, 'Improver points':

- 1 Point for each event competed in at each centre meet attended, including Regional Day;
- 5 points for attendance at Personal Best Day;
- 2 points for achieving a Personal Best;
- 1 point for equalling a Personal Best;

In the event of a tie a count back will take place. The winner will be awarded to the athlete who achieved the most Personal Bests.

If this does not separate the athletes, two awards will be given.

Most Outstanding Athlete

In each age group for Under 9 to Under 17 an award will be given to the most outstanding athlete.

A Gold Medal will be awarded to the athlete who accrues the most 'Performance points' based on the following allocation:

- 2 points for fully qualifying for State Individual Championships per event
- 2 points for a Centre Best Performance
- 2 points for a Bronze Medal at State Individual Championships/Multi-Event Championship
- 3 points for a Silver Medal at State Individual Championships/Multi-Event Championship
- 5 points for attendance at Regional Day
- 5 points for competing at State Individual Championships
- 5 points for competing at State Multi Event Championships
- 5 points for a Gold Medal at State Individual Championships/Multi Event Championship
- 10 points per Star point
- 10 points for a State Best Performance
- 10 points for an Australian Best Performance

In the event of a tie a count back will take place. The winner will be awarded to the athlete who has achieved the most Centre Bests. If this does not separate the athletes, two awards will be given.

In the event an athlete wins Most Improved and Most Outstanding Athlete they will only receive the Most Outstanding Athlete Award. The Most Improved Award will go to the runner-up with the next most 'Improver points'.

If there is only one athlete in an age group only the Most Outstanding Award will be given.

'Greg Peterson' Athlete of the Year Award

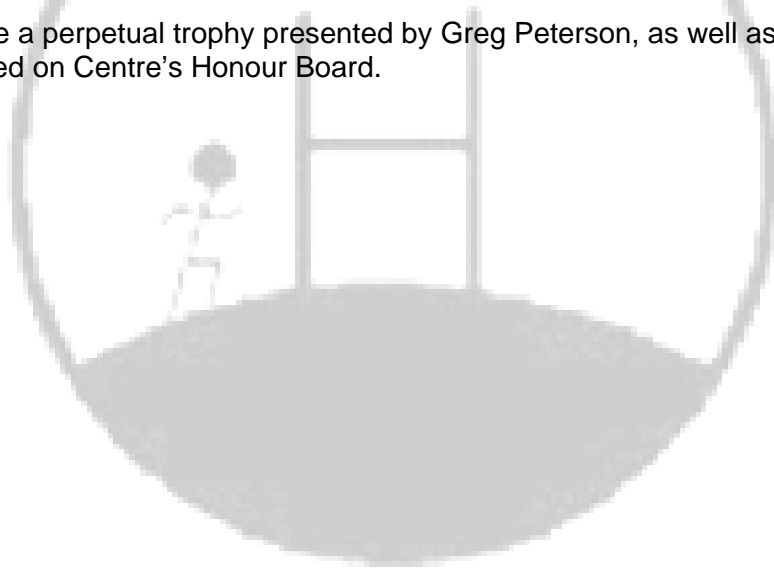
The winner of Most Outstanding Athlete for each age group will be nominated for the 'Greg Peterson Athlete of the Year'. This award recognises the contribution Greg Peterson has made to HCLAC, having been with the Club from its inception in 1990 as an athlete, continuing as an official and Committee member (including three years as President), Life Member of the Club and Member of the Board of Management of S.A. Little Athletics Association. The Committee hopes this award will encourage athletes to continue their development and make an ongoing contribution to the Centre.

There will be one award for male athlete and one for female athlete of the year.

The committee will vote to decide the winner of the two awards, guided by the following criteria:

- Only athletes awarded 'Most Outstanding Athlete' are eligible
- The sum of the 'Improver Points' plus the 'Performance Points', so as to add a weighting to attendance as well as performance
- The visible contribution that the athlete has made to the running of the Centre
- Any contributions made to the Centre outside of regular meets
- Other factors outside performance, e.g. the athlete's behaviour, role model for younger athletes and leadership shown

Each winner will receive a perpetual trophy presented by Greg Peterson, as well as a trophy to keep, and have their name included on Centre's Honour Board.



Best Club Person

All members of the Club will be eligible for this award (including all Committee members). The award will be given to the person at the end of the season that the Committee decides has given extra meritorious service to the Centre. Have name included on Club's Honour Board

The committee has the discretion to award a Best Club Person Award at the end of each season.

The award will consist of a Perpetual Trophy and a gift e.g.: key ring / glassware for the winner to keep

**Best Club Person
Awarded to
Name
In recognition of your contribution to
Hallett Cove Little Athletics Centre
"Date"**

Glenn Mackenzie Volunteers Award

This award recognises the Parent or Athlete volunteers who may not have time to be on the committee, but nevertheless put in just that little bit more effort in assisting with the running of meets each week.

Glenn Mackenzie was President of our centre during a particularly challenging period while it relocated from the Cove sports centre to a new home at Hallett Cove School. Glenn was pivotal in this move and in obtaining the grants necessary to build the shed from which we now operate.

Glenn was also instrumental in Hallett Cove Little Athletics being awarded the 2006 Be Active Recreation and Sports award for Volunteer management. Glenn did a lot of work towards having Volunteer policies and processes in place at Hallett Cove Little Athletics.

This award is presented in honour of Glenn's contribution to Hallett Cove Little Athletics.

The recipient/s will be decided by vote of the Committee at the end of each season.

The award will consist of a Perpetual Trophy and a gift e.g.: key ring / glassware for the winner to keep

**HCLAC
Glenn Mackenzie Volunteers Award**

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