



Newsletter



WELCOME TO THE 2006/2007 SEASON

Hello and welcome to the 2006-2007 season of Little Athletics at Hallett Cove. Thank goodness that long cold winter is behind us and we can look forward to some warm nights in the sun.

The Committee has been working hard over the Winter break to get things ready for the new season.

Back in April the verandah was installed on the shed and we now have a lovely paved area in which to enjoy our BBQ's after each meet.



Nice work—a big thanks to all our volunteer parents who helped build it!

Late last season we received a "be active" grant for new equipment. The money has gone a long way:

- We have taken delivery of 30 new hurdles. The old ones are going to a good home at a new Centre starting up in Maitland on the Yorke Peninsula.
- Two of our High Jump bags that were looking a bit shabby have been re-covered;
- We have bought some permanent discus and shot-put rings that will be installed shortly;

Very soon our Canteen will be fitted out with new cupboards and bench tops, thanks to Craig Nuttall.

We have applied for various grants, a major one being a Community Water Grant to put a Rainwater tank on the shed to service the Canteen.

Like last year, we are going to start the season on Sundays and move to Fridays in October. That way it's warmer and lighter. We are starting a bit earlier this year on September 17th but will be closing during the October holidays. This gives our athletes time to qualify for Relay Day and State Team .

Don't forget Registration Day is on the 10th September at the Hallett Cove Shopping Centre from 10am to 2pm. Remember fees are discounted if you register on this date.



HCLAC WINS RECREATION AND SPORT INDUSTRY AWARD

In June, we were awarded the Recreation and Sport Industry Award in the category of Volunteer Management.

The award recognises the success that has been achieved in relocating from the Cove centre to the R-12 school much of which has been made possible by the hard work of not only the Committee but the Parents, Carers and Athletes of the Centre.

There were 149 nominations for the 10 different award categories so we can be justifiably proud of winning it.

The award was presented at a dinner and was received by Glenn Mackenzie, Carolyn Gray and Lisa Pinder on the Centre's behalf.

The award came with a prize of \$1000 which we will be putting towards paying off the long-jump run-ups that were installed late last year.



DATES TO REMEMBER



Registration - Sunday 10th September, 10am-2pm Hallett Cove Shopping Centre

First Meet - Sunday 17th September, 10am

Working Bee—Sunday 17th September after the meet.

2nd Meet - Sunday 24th September, 10am

School Holiday Break—no meets from 29th September to 16th October

3rd Meet—Sunday 22nd October, 10am

First Friday Meet—Friday 27th October, 6pm

Regional Games—Friday 24th November

State Relay Championships—3rd December

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Best Bricks and Pavers kindly donated the pavers for our verandah.

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ATHLETE HEALTH RECORD

For the safety of all Athletes, and for insurance cover, please ensure that you provide any relevant health-related details on your Registration form. We need to know about allergies, previous injuries or any other conditions which may influence a child's ability to participate in Little Athletics.

This gives our First Aid Officer (Michelle Bailey) details of special needs that each Athlete may have. Records are kept strictly confidential. Please consult with any of the Committee if you have any concerns.



ARE YOU ON EMAIL?

From last year's records, only 50% of Athletes supplied an email address. Of those 10% came back invalid when we tried to send an email.

Email is a quick and cost-effective means of communication with our members. We never pass on your email to any other organisation and only use it to send you information about Little Athletics.

When you fill in your registration form, if you have an email address, please fill it in legibly and accurately in the appropriate place.



2006/2007 FEES



The fees for this season have been kept at the same level, as for the last 3 seasons.

This means that Little Athletics continues to be a very affordable sport.

Remember, fees are discounted if you pay on Registration Day.

No in Family	On Reg Day	After Reg Day
1 Child	\$60	\$65
2 Children	\$100	\$110
3 or more	\$130	\$140



Be Your Best



CHANGES TO AWARDS POLICY

When we put together the awards last year, the Committee realised there were a couple of issues with the existing policy.

We reviewed the policy in the off-season and have made a couple of changes to make things more equitable.

- The Mayor's Participation Medal will now be given to Under 8 and below Athletes including Tiny Tots. The U6-U8 Age Groups will also be eligible for the Mayor's Junior Encouragement award.
- Athletes will only be eligible for a Centre Award if they compete in at least 70% of meets since they registered. To be deemed as having competed at a meet, an Athlete must compete in at least 50% of events held for their age group at that meet.

The full awards policy is available on the web site. Follow the link from About HCLAC—Centre Awards.



UNCOLLECTED AWARDS

On the subject of awards, we have a number of un-collected Certificates and Awards from the AGM and Awards night at the end of last season.

They will be available for collection on Registration Day so be sure to ask for them if you were not there on the night.



INTRODUCING THE COMMITTEE

The Committee for 2006/2007 are:

President	Iain Carlin	Vice President	Carolyn Gray
Secretary	Lisa Pinder	Treasurer	Dave Pickering
Registrar & First Aid	Michelle Bailey	Tiny Tots	Craig Nuttall
Recorder	Steve Gray	Team Manger	Kim Carlin
Coaches Coordinator	Jon Hall	Sponsorship & Marketing	Dave Reid
Volunteers Coordinator	Glenn Mackenzie	Uniforms	Marion Battista



There's always room for more on the Committee. Contact Iain Carlin if you are interested in helping out.