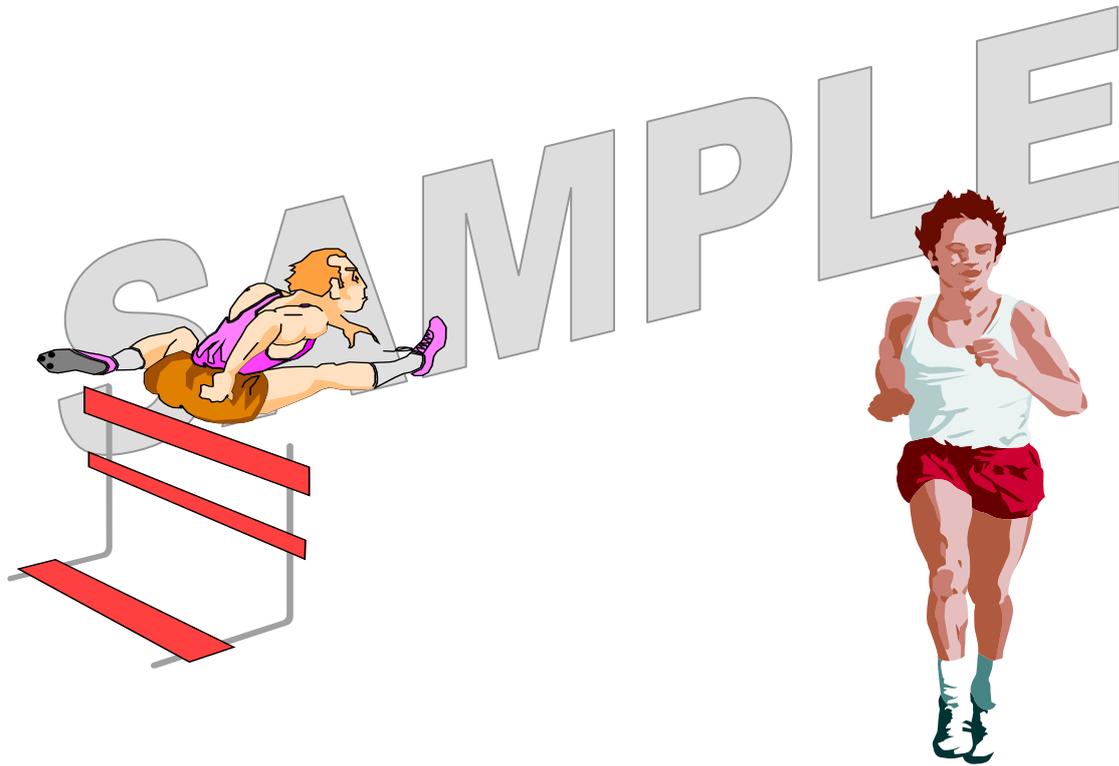


HARRIS PARK

LITTLE
ATHLETICS CENTRE



Annual Report

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Well another season has been and gone - the 28th for our centre. As always when we start out it seems that the season is so long and then all of a sudden it is over and it's time to take stock and begin to plan for next year. As I have said before, quite a deal of planning and preparation has to be done in the so-called "off-season".

Our centre experienced another very successful season in 2011-2012 and this was due to the efforts of many people. Firstly, I would like to extend my personal congratulations and thanks to the members of the committee. You have done so much once again and showed keenness to get the job done. Secondly, I wish to thank the age managers for looking after the children during the year at their various events and championships. And last but not least I want to thank all those parents who have helped in a range of other areas. These have included the canteen, BBQ, Friday night events and at carnivals. I just wish there were more of you who would come forward and share the load.

What were some of the significant "happenings" of last season? Well, 20 of our athletes qualified for the State Championships - a centre record. Well done to all concerned. Also this year saw the introduction of seniors competition on Friday evenings. This seemed to be successful and it was good to see some of our former little athletes returning to Harris Park Oval. I think this will continue to prove popular for our "retiring" under 17s.

Once again I must thank our sponsors for their contribution to the centre. I know it has been said before, but we do really appreciate your support. This past season saw us purchase more items than for some time. This included new walkie talkies, a large tarp for use at carnivals, high jump stands, javelins, a play training parachute, some seniors gear and other sundry items and it is our sponsors who make a lot of this possible.

Some good news for next year is that our centre won a Lauren Hewitt coaching clinic via our good friends from Athletes Foot as a result of the volume of purchases. We look forward to that and thank Athletes Foot for providing the opportunity.

Each year some people move on from Little Athletics and Harris Park in particular. It may be committee members, it may be the under 17s or it may be families and athletes who wish to make a change. I wish all of you the very best for the future and I thank you for whatever contribution you have made to our centre. I hope that you take with you happy memories of your time at Harris Park Little Athletics Centre.

Finally, I want to congratulate all of our little athletes on their efforts throughout the year. You should be proud of your performances both on and off the field. I hope that you have enjoyed the season sufficiently to return next season.

Denton Fairweather
PRESIDENT

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The 2011-2012 season was another successful one for the Harris Park Little Athletics Centre. With strong contingents at Zone, Region and State Championships as well as the State Relays and State Multis, a number of outstanding performances were achieved. Twenty athletes qualified for the State Championships, including the Junior Boys Relay Team – a first for Harris Park – well done boys!

The centre was also represented by Felicity Smith at the Trans Tasman in Auckland and by Tracey Jones at the Australian Teams Championships in Tasmania.

Congratulations to these and all athletes who represented the centre at championships meets and other centre gala days. A number of young, upcoming athletes are certainly making names for themselves.

Thanks to all those parents who gave their time willingly to assist on Friday nights and at championship events. Let's hope we see even more new faces next season.

I wish the U17's all the best for the future and if they continue with Senior Athletics, they are most welcome to come back and compete (or socialise) at Harris Park Oval on Friday nights.

Harris Park has a new logo this year – designed by a member of the centre. The new design (the only entry received) appears on the front cover.

Thanks to all the committee for their contribution during the season and I wish the incoming committee all the best of luck for the coming year.

John Citizen
SECRETARY

TREASURERS REPORT

Our centres' financial position continues to remain strong, and members should be pleased with the results.

Harris Park Little Athletics Centre's income has increased by 40% to \$75,396.00, whilst expenditure has increased by 46% to \$62,954.00. The centre could, by any account, be regarded as a small business. A change in accounting practice in regard to the canteen income and expenditure has assisted in this regard.

The increase in income is due in part to the excellent support from our sponsors, and mention must be made of the contributions from both Plastic Toys, a long time supporter of the centre, and a new sponsor in 2011-2012, Baby Dolls. Their generous support is very welcome.

Income from registrations is up on previous years due to the increased numbers.

Canteen trading has been excellent. In this regard, the accounting treatment has changed from taking profit in at season end. This year, we accounted for both income and expenditure on a weekly basis.

As with increases in income, there has been an increase in expenditure. Fees to LANSW have increased due to increased numbers. We have also spent more money on equipment this year. A new set of walkie talkies have been purchased, as well as tarps and enviroshades to provide additional shade for competitors. New and replacement track & field equipment has also been purchased.

With the introduction of the new 'two-piece' style uniform, there has also been additional costs. Stocks are high, and we won't have to purchase a lot next year.

A correction has been made this year to ensure trading accounts close off on March 31st. As such, post balance adjustments see a further net income to the centre of \$786.00. A further amount of \$876.00 is expected from LANSW for the Coca Cola rebate. Therefore 'actual' centre funds will be increased by \$1865.00

Detailed audited financial statements are attached to this report.

In closing, I would like to thank all committee members for their help and support this year. It is not always easy combining 'on field' 'starting' activities with the constant demands of 'writing cheques'. I look forward to your continued support.

David Money
TREASURER

OFFICER FOR OFFICIALS REPORT

The 2011-2012 season has been another great season for the Harris Park Little Athletics Centre. This has been possible due to the efforts of the parents in taking part in the process so the children's events can be run.

Friday nights have seen a regular group of parents out on the field making sure the children can compete and have their performances recorded. The committee (on behalf of your children) thank you sincerely. A special thank you to John Cliffs and Warwick Bread for operating the BBQ all season. A terrific job "well done".

The carnival days (centre championships and gala day) have been conducted with the combined efforts of the committee, parents and input from the Zone and other centres. Likewise with the Zone and Regional Meetings with several of the parents who seem to be the ones doing the lion's share of the work. Again thanks to all concerned.

I would like to thank a band of teenagers who help out regularly including Annie Marmalade, the Beehives, Andrew Cellery and Mabel Syrup.

Looking to next season the centre will again be using the roster system on Friday nights to assist parents with their role in helping their children. In particular, at the Zone and Regional carnivals it will be required for parents to come forward and nominate for their duty if they want their child to participate. If you are one of the parents who have been carrying the load this will be a benefit for you as the work is shared more fairly.

Thanks for a great season and I look forward to the 2012-2013 season.

Until next season, remember,

Together Everyone Achieves More.

Megsy Tate
OFFICER FOR OFFICIALS

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

As another season for Harris Park Little Athletics Centre draws to a close there comes a time for a few statistics and thank yous. This season saw a slight increase in registrations on the previous season and the numbers show Harris Park to be performing strongly, with our numbers placing us as one of the top 10 largest centres in the state.

There was a total of 522 registered athletes with largest boys group the 9 Boys consisting of 36 boys and the largest girls group the 11 Girls with a total of 40 girls, however most age groups consisted of over 24 athletes.

As always I would like to thank everyone who has assisted me this year and consequently made my job so much easier, particularly the committee members who assisted at the Registration days at Westpoint, my assistant Registrar Isabella O'Ride and most of all the unsung hero of our centre Deirdre Muddlemouth whose assistance I found invaluable through a very hectic year. Deirdre I will be forever grateful!

In closing as I will be moving to a new position on the committee next season I wish the incoming registrar lots of luck and hope he or she enjoys the position as much as I have.

Lisa Rosepetal
REGISTRAR

EQUIPMENT OFFICERS REPORT

Firstly, I would like to thank Jerry Tombstone for his time and help throughout the season. He has always been there to help out rain, hail or shine. Thanks Jerry.

I have enjoyed this season and the kids have had a great time particularly at Zone and Region. I am looking forward to the start of next season. Thanks to all the dads who helped put out the hurdles and equipment.

Equipment repairs have been down on last year, but we still have a problem with children playing in the sandpits and with the long jump equipment (i.e. Tapes, Shovels etc).

Once again I would like to thank everybody for their help during the season and I would also like to thank Stefan Banana for his help with the equipment on Friday nights and during carnivals.

Garry Peapod
EQUIPMENT OFFICER