

South Australian Athletic League

ANNUAL REPORT
2024/25



VISION STATEMENT

"To be recognised across Australia as a leading athletics organisation renowned for its innovation and provision of competitive exciting and deliberately different athletic events."

MISSION STATEMENT

"To grow athletics by providing athletes of different ages and abilities the chance to be competitive and pursue athletic excellence. Our quality events will be innovative, exciting and provide value to all our stakeholders."



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OUR TEAM

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT

Kym Steer

VICE PRESIDENT

Sarah Manning

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Phil Daws, Frank McHugh,
Shane Grimwade, Jordi McMillan
Shane Bewry

SAAL OFFICE

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Jenny Poole

LEAGUE PATRONS

PATRON

Bruce McAvaney

VICE PATRON

Peter Noblet AM

BAY SHEFFIELD

EVENT MANAGER

Leon Burckhardt

HANDICAPPERS

MALE SPRINTS

Damian Tohl

FEMALE SPRINTS

Jamie Sibbick

DISTANCE

Damian Robinson

OVER 35

Shane Grimwade

UNDER 18 BOYS

Kevin McAnaney

UNDER 18 GIRLS

Shane Grimwade

UNDER 14

Paul Young

PARA ATHLETES

Paul Young

SUPPORT

Dale Bewry

HANDICAP APPEALS

Andrew Camilleri, Lauren McHugh and Mark Brown.

RACE CALLERS

Chief Race Caller

Terry McAuliffe,

Race Callers

Ollie Wurm, Paul Young

OFFICIALS

Chief Steward	Trevor Mules
Chief Starter	Tricia McHendrie
Chief Technical Manager	Gordon Brimble
Stewards	Phil Daws, Brian Hart, Adam Cleary, Chris Dimitrak
Chief Judge	Dennis Letton,
Judges	Brian Curtis, Liberato Icolaro, David Palmer
Starters	Michael Sutton, John Turner
Marksmen	Jenny Poole, Mark Howson
Photofinish/Timekeeper	Liberato Icolaro
Race Video Operator	Gordon Brimble
Colour & Scratching Stewards	Kathy & Barry Rofo, Joanna Sutton Paige Bateman
Equipment Manager	Michael Buckler
Track Marking	Michael Buckler
Race Day Results System Management	Brian Curtis

CARNIVAL SUPPORT

PA System	Owen Sound (Tony Owen)
Photographers	Chief Photographer - Jenny Poole, Scarlett Poole, Neil Jameson, Jeff Wray
Videographers	Xavier Poole, Terence Carter
Trailer Towing	Michael Hayes, Jesse Cordoma, Oli Burge, Tim Noblet, Kym Steer, Frank McHugh, Firmin Tchatoka, Mark Burns, Dan Flesfader

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been a privilege to serve as President of the South Australian Athletic League for the past three years. I want to sincerely thank all members of our great organisation for your support, commitment, and above all, your passion for the sport of athletics.

Season Overview

The 2024/25 season marked another step forward for the League. We released the season calendar well ahead of the opening event, allowing athletes and coaches to plan effectively. Our pre-Christmas program was refined to better align with the needs of our athletic community, and we continued to develop the systems that support our carnival operations.

We are pleased to report a modest increase in athlete participation and a small financial surplus. Our income was impacted by the rescheduling of the Mort Daly Carnival to the slot allocated for Brighton in January due to extreme heat. We chose to invest in upgrading our handicapping and meet management system as well as the repainting of our new trailer.

Strategic and Operational Progress

The League's investment in our handicapping system remains a top priority. In 2024/25, we continued to enhance its functionality and integrity, including an increased focus on educating coaches and athletes about its application—particularly in junior and cross-age categories. Next season will see formal opportunities for coaches to deepen their understanding of how the system works.

We are proud to report substantial progress in our relationship with the Victorian Athletic League. We have reached agreements on data sharing and are exploring alignment of both competition rules and handicapping approaches. This collaboration bodes well for the future of professional athletics across Australia.

Our social media presence also continues to grow, despite operating on an extremely limited budget. The increased online engagement has complemented our community presence and helped promote events like the Bay Sheffield.

Bay Sheffield and Community Impact

The Bay Sheffield continues to cement its place as South Australia's premier footrace. This year, athlete participation increased, including a strong showing from interstate competitors. The atmosphere at Colley Reserve was exceptional, and feedback from athletes, spectators, and stakeholders was overwhelmingly positive. We thank the South Australian Government, Holdfast Bay and sponsors for their support.

We were honoured to be selected by the South Australian Government to deliver the "Fastest Community Footballer" races during Gather Round. The event showcased our sport to a broader audience and received commendations from both the AFL and government representatives. Special thanks go to the volunteers and athletes who braved the extreme heat to deliver a fantastic result.

Challenges

Despite our successes, the League continues to face challenges:

- Post-New Year attendance remains impacted by the timing of National, State, and Surf Life Saving championships.
- Athlete travel reluctance has made it difficult to sustain regional carnivals, despite strong community interest.
- Confusion around junior handicapping, particularly where U14 athletes compete in U18 or U18 in senior events, remains an area requiring better education and communication.

We are committed to addressing these issues in a respectful and transparent way and welcome member feedback to help guide our improvement.

Looking Ahead to 2025/26

As we prepare for the next season, we will focus on:

- Launching a pre-season recruitment drive targeting all ages.
- Strengthening partnerships with State Government, local Councils, and the South Australian Tourism Commission to elevate the Bay Sheffield as the premier event of the summer.
- Aligning handicapping approaches with the VAL.
- Delivering more accessible education to coaches on rules and handicapping.
- Increasing volunteer recruitment and support, ensuring our carnivals continue to run efficiently.

I also want to signal that I will be advocating for stronger penalties for breaches of the League's code of conduct, particularly in relation to inappropriate behaviour toward officials. Regrettably, the 2024/25 season saw two members suspended for such breaches. Going forward, I will propose a zero-tolerance approach, including suspension or revocation of coaching accreditation for serious offences, including abusive phone or text communications with officials.

Acknowledgements

To our volunteers—you are the backbone of the League. From handicappers, stewards, and starters, to judges, colour stewards, and timekeepers thank you for your dedication and resilience in often challenging conditions. Week after week, you make our sport possible.

To our Committee, thank you for your tireless efforts and vision. I want to especially thank Phil Daws, who is stepping down this year. Phil has been a wise and steady presence and leaves with our deep appreciation.

To our Executive Officer Jenny Poole—your behind-the-scenes dedication and countless hours of support have been invaluable. You are the heartbeat of the League, and we thank you sincerely.

Final Reflections

We have worked hard this season to remain open to ideas and feedback, and to make decisions that are in the best interest of the League and its members. I believe we continue to honour the proud history of the SAAL while evolving to meet the future.

To the over 400 athletes who competed across our events this year: you are the reason we exist. Watching your determination, camaraderie, and growth inspires us all. Thank you for being part of our community—we look forward to seeing you again in 2025/26.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kym D Steer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kym Steer
President
South Australian Athletic League

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

It was a season of growth at the SA Athletic League with increases in both registrations and nominations. A big influx of juniors made for a hectic and really fun start to the season. It was wonderful to have their fresh faces and positive attitudes join us on the start line. An absolute highlight!

We have taken the opportunity to do things a little differently at some meets so we can explore new opportunities including the Gather Round activation, some shorter meetings, and we revitalised the format of the Bay Sheffield to further position it as a must on every athlete's calendar.

We have looked towards the future with continued investment in upgrades to our Meet Management and Handicapping System providing an improved resource and time saver for our volunteers and administration. We also invested in the website giving it a much needed upgrade to showcase Pro Running. Our trailer is now something to be proud of and a great way to promote the League as it travels around the state. Increasing Pro Running's presence on social media has also been a focus.

Our relationship with the Victorian Athletic League is providing great opportunities for us to work together and share resources, strengthening Pro Running across Australia.

Our team of volunteers is one of the best resources we have. I cannot thank them enough for all the work that they undertake for the League and the strong foundation for our community that they provide. We encourage you to consider what you may be able to offer to the SAAL by volunteering, it is a rewarding and wonderful way to give back to the sport. It can be as much or as little as you like.

We acknowledge and thank the South Australian Government, Local Councils and valued sponsors for their support of our events. We value the relationships we have built with you and thank you for your support in getting South Australia active and showcasing our state.

Thank you to the Management Committee for their support and direction. The constant push to question and do better will strengthen the SA Athletic League as we move forward into the much anticipated 2025/26 Season.

I personally take so much from being a part of the SA Athletic League community, it goes far beyond a job, and I thank all the Coaches, Athletes and Volunteers for their support.



Jenny Poole
Executive Officer
South Australian Athletic League

REGISTRATIONS

We saw a strong increase in registration numbers this year in particular, the under 14 Boys and girls and Open Women. Most other categories also saw increases, a great result from our recruitment campaign.

We had good interest in Little Athletics races at Bay Sheffield, Crystal Brook and Henley. The exposure to Community Footballers from the Gather Round Sprint was also pleasing.

CATEGORY	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25
Para Athletes (Inc. 1x3 day registration)	0	0	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	14	15
Associate	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coach (Inc 4 Life Members)	27	24	30	30	25	29	28	34	37	41
Country (No longer available)	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
First Year Athletes (No longer available)	21	20	24	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Officials (Inc 7 Life Members)	28	24	18	18	18	19	22	21	23	25
Men (inc 10x1 day rego, 40x3 day)	119	114	123	125	126	124	170	147	135	145
Women (inc 2x1 day rego, 29x3 meet)	33	41	40	56	48	45	69	78	64	87
Over 35	18	25	17	17	17	14	22	23	23	23
Under 18	70	98	104	110	112	97	102	86	35G 32B	34G 37B
Under 14	44	49	59	60	48	44	39	20	12G 16B	19G 37B
Under 20 (No longer available)	42	25	23	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total	402	420	439	426	394	372	452	409	389	460
Females									128	160
Males									261	300
3 day (included above)		18	18	19	17	29	66	45	43	62
1 day (included above)		24	21	20	35	23	28	29	23	7
Little Aths Registrations				50	47	45	41	56	123	103
Gather Round Footballers										104
Total Life Members included above where indicated only.	43	43	44	45	47	47	49	51	52	54

EVENTS

Category	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25
Men	55	58	51	53	47	44	44	45	46	47
Women	37	42	35	38	35	38	38	38	42	39
Open								10	10	7
Over 35	21	21	15	16	14	20	23	27	29	29
Over 30 W							1	3	3	3
Novice	7	20	14	10	7	6	6	6	8	8
Para								4	6	12
Women/Over 35	3	5	9	8	6	5	4	5	5	5
Under 18	2	22	34	39	39	13	8	6	4	3
Under 18 Girls						13	21	22	23	21
Under 18 Boys						13	21	22	23	21
Under 14	13	16	14	14	12	10	17	18	21	23
Consolation/ Invitation	2	1	2	4	7	8	7	6	4	5
All Comers					8	4	9	1	3	0
Restricted					1	1	1	1	1	1
Junior Invitationals									17	20
Football										8

Does not include unofficial races at our end of season celebration carnival “Belair Picnic Carnival”.



CARNIVAL NOMINATIONS

Carnival nominations were up following increased social media marketing and an increase in registrations. We have worked hard at improving our race cards and condensing more races into the carnivals as well.

Interstate numbers increased at the Bay Sheffield by more than 25%. Nominations for the Bay were very strong with more than 100 extra athletes making the pilgrimage to Colley Reserve

Carnival	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	%
Marion	283	307	303	403	292	221	290	284	278	340	22%
Crystal Brook							238	258	221	205	-7%
Flinders	355	348	302	387	389	312	319	310	319	334	5%
Port Adelaide	278	318	348	365	355	236	277	286	275	345	25%
Kensington		163	360	420	478	362	369	306	313	404	29%
Brighton (Keith P)	431	404	427	387	423	389	389	294	274	349	27%
Mort Daly	426	422	500	441	455	446	409	362	308	446	45%
Bay Sheffield	908	889	914	801	818	741	830	800	738	955	29%
Reynella						296	239	239	211	231	9%
Camden	377	367	357	405	378	338	328	280	281	332	18%
Henley/St Mich.	259	275	256	296	0	0	0		213	283	33%
Loxton	250	290	326	333	212	223	379	245	230	262	14%
McKinnon	304	261	291	267	COVID	229	243			218	
End of Season Meet									63	79	25%
Gather Round Sprint										193	
Mt Gambier					263	COVID	248	187	204		
Barossa								165	160		
Brighton Rugby									175		
Adelaide Hills								253			
Brighton #2							319				
Fleurieu				358	360	321	234				
Flagstaff	330	297	313	338	298	250	0				
Sacred Heart/Bowker	342	364	269	419	303	0	0				
Tea Tree Gully	302	358	0	0	0	0	0				
Brighton Launch			99	134	0	0	0				
Western	346	290	273	0	0	0	0				
Hectorville	229	279	0	0	0	0	0				
Total	5420	5469	5338	5754	5014	4364	5111	4269	4263	4976	17%

Does not include COVID cancelled events.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

South Australian Athletic League Inc

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Report by the Management Committee

4th June 2025

In accordance with Section 35(5) of the Associations Incorporation Act 1985, the Management Committee hereby states that during the financial year ended 30th April 2025:

- a)
 - (i) no Management Committee member of the League:
 - (ii) no firm of which the Management Committee member is a member: and
 - (iii) no body corporate in which a Management Committee member has a substantial financial interest, has received, or become entitled to receive benefit as a result of a contract between the Management Committee member, firm or body corporate and the League.
- b) no Management Committee member of the association has received directly or indirectly from the League any payment or other benefit of pecuniary value, other than salaries and honorarium's paid to Management Committee members.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of members of the Management Committee



Committee Member



Committee Member

Dated this 4th day of June 2025

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Income and Expenditure Statement - Notes

For the Year Ended 30 April 2025

Income

Registration and Nomination Income

The 2024/2025 Season saw strong growth in our registration and race nomination income with increased membership and attendance at our meets.

Sponsorships

Support and confidence in the SA Athletic League also grew with increased sponsorship, in particular for the Bay Sheffield and also with the Gather Round Sprint.

Expenditure

Race Meeting Expenses

Race meeting expenses for 24/25 were up, predominantly due to inclusion of the Gather Round Sprint and an increased spend on improving the Bay Sheffield Carnival in line with funding requirements. We also received grants which enabled us to invest in new race day equipment that would help both volunteers and improve race day.

Admin & Office Expenses

We have chosen to invest in our future by improving offerings to members with a new website and investment into the Meet Management, Registration and Handicapping Systems. The increased functionality for members, handicappers and administration will provide time and cost savings for years to come. We have teamed up with the Victorian Athletic League so that we can both share costs and provide a platform for members that is consistent and easier to use across the two states.

We have also had the trailer painted and branded. It now provides valuable exposure for both the League, Bay Sheffield and sponsors as it travels around the state to all of our meets.

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Income and Expenditure Statement

For the Year Ended 30 April 2025

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Registrations income	65,918	57,650
Nominations income	98,519	82,666
Sponsorships	293,904	237,070
Grants	36,850	43,600
Other Income	44,144	31,144
Employee benefits expense	(79,264)	(72,958)
Race meeting expenses	(419,645)	(342,144)
Admin and Office expense	(18,657)	(9,638)
Rent	(3,691)	(3,795)
Depreciation	(4,161)	(4,896)
Insurance	(4,206)	(4,386)
Other expenses	(5,353)	(2,079)
Donations		
Profit before income tax	<u>4,359</u>	<u>12,234</u>
Income tax expense	-	-
Profit for the year	<u>4,359</u>	<u>12,234</u>

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Assets and Liabilities Statement

As at 30 April 2025

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	76,022	75,887
Trade and other receivables	16,773	1,973
Inventories	1,580	1,405
Vehicles	4,697	5,525
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	99,072	84,790
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	18,884	22,217
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	18,884	22,217
TOTAL ASSETS	117,957	107,007
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	2,847	812
Other liabilities	8,022	4,278
Employee benefits	6,343	5,530
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	17,212	10,621
TOTAL LIABILITIES	17,212	10,621
NET ASSETS	100,745	96,386
MEMBERS' FUNDS		
Retained profits	100,745	96,386
TOTAL MEMBERS EQUITY	100,745	96,386

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 April 2025

1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of preparation

This financial report is a special purpose report prepared for distribution to members in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act (SA) 1985. The committee has determined that the South Australian Athletic League Inc ('the League') is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

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

(b) Income Tax

The League is exempt from Income Tax under section 23g(iii) of the Income Tax Assessment Act

(c) Revenue and other income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue. Grant and donation revenue is recognised when the League obtains control over the funds. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST)

(d) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities up to 12 months.

(e) Inventories

Inventories are valued at lower of cost and net realisable value.

(f) Property, plant and equipment

The depreciable amount of all property, plant and equipment is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

(g) Employee benefits

Provision is made for the League's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting year. Employee benefits have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

(h) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of GST, except where the GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense. Receivables and payables in the assets and liabilities statement are shown inclusive of GST

2 Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Cash on hand	5,629	3,785
Cash at Bank	59,739	61,797
Term Deposit due within 12 months	10,654	10,305
	<u>76,022</u>	<u>75,887</u>

3 Trade and Other Receivables

Trade receivables	<u>16,773</u>	1,973
	<u>16,773</u>	<u>1,973</u>

4 Inventories

General Merchandise	<u>1,580</u>	1,405
	<u>1,580</u>	<u>1,405</u>

5 Property, Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment at cost	63,044	63,044
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(39,463)</u>	<u>(35,302)</u>
Total property, plant and equipment	<u>23,581</u>	<u>27,742</u>

6 Trade and Other Payables

Trade Creditors	2,847	812
Sundry Creditors and accruals	<u>8,022</u>	<u>4,278</u>
	<u>10,869</u>	<u>5,091</u>

7 Employee Benefits

	\$	\$
Provision for employee benefits – annual leave	<u>6,343</u>	<u>5,530</u>
	<u>6,343</u>	<u>5,530</u>

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Statement by the Management Committee

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

In the opinion of the Management Committee the financial report:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of the League Inc as at 30 April 2025 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the League will be able to pay its debts when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Management Committee:



Committee Member



Committee Member

Dated this 4th day of June 2025

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ATHLETIC LEAGUE INC.**

Scope

We have audited the accounts of the entity, being the Profit and Loss Statement, Balance Sheet and Notes to and forming part of the Report for the year ended 30th April 2025. The entity's Treasurer is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the information they contain. We have conducted an independent audit of the accounts in order to express an opinion on them to members of the entity.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the accounts are free from material misstatements. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of all evidence supporting the amounts, and evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the receipts and payments are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and statutory requirements so as to present a view of the entity which is consistent with our understanding of its financial position and the results of its operations and cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the basis.

AUDIT OPINION

In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Associations Act 1985, the financial position of the SA ATHLETIC LEAGUE Inc as at 30th April 2025 and the results of its operations for the 12 months ended.

In my opinion the financial report on which this report is prepared is adequate, given the nature and scope of the activities of the SA ATHLETIC LEAGUE Inc as at 30th April 2025.

AFC Accounting & Finance



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Amin F Chehade FNTAA

North Adelaide

Dated this 2nd day of June 2025

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CARNIVALS AND RESULTS

MARION GIFT CARNIVAL

13th October 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Under 14	Jude Haywood	Wes Shakeshaft	Evelyn Cornish
70m Under 18 Girls	Elsie Parsons & Mia Griffiths		Scarlett Poole
70m Under 18 Boys	Oliver Sibbick	Nathan Flesfader	Jack Burfield
70m Over 35	David Palmer	Kasey Allen	Andrew Boyd
120m Novice	Chantel Branford	Hunter Griffiths	Tyler Ford
120m Women	Mikayla Dell	Holly Beecham	Liana Channon
120m Men	Olufemi Komolafe	Hayden Rothe	Mitchell Tucker
300m Under 18 Girls	Anya Horgan	Ella Clogg	Aaliyah Zoalang
300m Under 18 Boys	Joel Cedric Ebomo	Lewis Day	Oliver Sibbick
300m Para	Ross Hill-Brown	Madelene McNeil	Nathan Woods
300m Women	Alex Day	Kayla Lemm	Ellie Whittingham
300m Men	Luke Rigby	Hayden Rothe	Sam Kean
300m Over 35	Albert Jamae	David Wilczek	Andrew Boyd
800m Novice	Timothy Hayes	Daniel King	Lachie O'Brien
800m Women	Emma Potter	Emma Henkel	Hannah Tourneur
800m Men	Angus Hincksman	Tyler Gridley	James Grant
3200m Open	Robert Killmier	Terence Carter	Bennett Maxwell



Mia Griffiths, Elsie Parsons and Scarlett Poole

Photo: Jen Poole

PACIFIC BLUE CRYSTAL BROOK CLASSIC

19th October 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Under 18 Girls	Ella Clogg	Scarlett Poole	Tigerlily Kovacic
70m Under 18 Boys	Oliver Dixon	Lewis Day	Oliver Sibbick
70m Women	Amelie Burge	Holly Beecham	Ella Clogg
70m Men	Luis Lawrie-Lattanzio	Luke Simpson	Xavier Poole
120m Under 14	Tom Dixon	Riley Fielder	Tyler Schmitt
120m Women	Amelie Burge	Holly Beecham	Ella Clogg
120m Men	Blake Jones	Hayden Rothe	Luis Lawrie-Lattanzio
120m Over 35	Jarrad Dartnall	David Gross	Kerry Goode
400m Under 18 Girls	Emma Potter	Tully Allen	Talulah Kovacic
400m Under 18 Boys	Lewis Day	Oliver Sibbick	William Hayes
400m Men	Sam Kean	Ben Wilson	Luke Rigby
400m Women	Ellie Whittingham	Alex Day	Amie Mittiga
400m Over 35	Ben Abriani	Jarrad Dartnall	James Grant
1600m Women/Over 35	Mercedes Tierney	Emma Potter	Molly Cook
1600m Men	Sam Kean	James Grant	Timothy Hayes



Blake Jones & Coach Paul Young

Photo: Jen Poole

PACIFIC BLUE CRYSTAL BROOK CLASSIC

19th October 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
120m Little Aths Girls U9	Lara Wardle	Sadie Thomas	Sadie Hook
120m Little Aths Boys U9	Denzel Farr	Judd Farr	Zephyr Srsan
120m Little Aths Girls U11	Della Salvemini	Amicah Collier	Hayley Pilkington
120m Little Aths Boys U11	Baylen Goddard	Sebastian Richards	Jayden Ryan
120m Little Aths Girls U13	Isla Dewar	Brookly Taylor	Alexis Farr
120m Little Aths Boys U13	Zaid Barnes	Jayden Ryan	Tye Marshall
400m Little Aths Girls U9	Lara Wardle	Sadie Thomas	Sadie Hook
400m Little Aths Boys U9	Denzel Farr	Jonah Richards	Judd Farr
400m Little Aths Girls U11	Indy Farr	Jaspa Barnes	Amicah Collier
400m Little Aths Boys U11	Sebastian Richards	Jace Pilkington	Lincoln Hoare
400m Little Aths Girls U13	Isla Dewar	Alexis Farr	Mabel Byrne
400m Little Aths Boys U13	Zaid Barnes	Patrick Zwar	Charlie Crawford



Junior Invitational Participants at Crystal Brook

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TOBY SCHREIER FLINDERS PRO MEET

3rd November 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Under 14	Riley Fielder	Maeve McGorm	Noah Charlesworth
70m Novice	David Amaechi	Taylah Spackman	Oliver Dixon
70m Over 35	Kasey Allen	Mark Simons	Jarrad Dartnall
70m Women	Mia Perkins	Ella Clogg	Imogen Nobbs
70m Men	Xavier Poole	Luke Rigby	Hayden Petherick
200m Under 18 Boys	Nathan Flesfadar	Lewis Day	Oliver Dixon
200m Under 18 Girls	Matilda Buchanan	Anelise Bewry	Tully Allen
200m Over 35	James Grant	Ben Abriani	Kasey Allen
200m Para	Brayden Davidson	Nathan Woods	Madelene McNeil
200m Men	Hayden Rothe	Xavier Poole	Mitchell Tucker
200m Women	Alex Day	Holly Beecham	Jade Dinan
800m Women	Isabel Hobbs	Isabel Hobbs	Isabel Hobbs
800m Men	Tyler Gridley	Rory White	Brett Nilsen
3200m Open	Thomas Elfenbein	Zach Szelag	Jett Noble



CITY OF BURNSIDE GIFT CARNIVAL

10th November 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Women	Caitlin Stallan	Maya Lange	Taylah Spackman
70m Men	Luke Rigby	Hayden Petherick	Charlie Hildyard Luke Simpson
120m Under 14	Tom Dixon	Wes Shakeshaft	Charlie Camilleri
120m Under 18 Boys	Oliver Dixon	Nathan Flesfadar	Scott Delean
120m Under 18 Girls	Lakeisha Sheffield	Lilliana Hoffman	Iluka-Rose Taylor
120m Men	Tomas Semmler	Aidan Murphy	John Evans
120m Women	Charlotte McAuliffe	Alex Day	Jordan McMillan
120m Para	Gabriel Wilson	Lexie Bruce	Brayden Davidson
120m Over 35	Mark Burns	Sue Turner	David Wilczek
300m Under 14	William Hayes	Charlie Camilleri	Ethan Palmer
300m Over 35	Kasey Allen	David Wilczek	Jarrad Dartnall
550m Under 18 Girls	Adelaide Boulton	Talulah Kovacic	Beth Griffin
550m Under 18 Boys	Juvenal Doko Tchatoka	Scott Delean	Finn Spanagel
550m Women	Jessica Kemp	Mercedes Tierney	Courtney Ryder
550m Men	Sam Kean	Asher Gillings	Oakley Nilsen
1600m Men	Tim Earle	Sam Kean	James Grant
1600m Women/ Over 35's	Mercedes Tierney	Beth Griffin	Michael Nitschke



Mayor of Burnside Anne Monceaux, Aidan Murphy, Tomas Semmler and John Evans

Photo: Jen Poole

KEITH PATCHING MEMORIAL CARNIVAL

24th November 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Novice	Benjamin Driver	Tyler Ford	Zade Kretschmer
70m Para	Madelene McNeil	Lexie Bruce	Karl Supple
70m Women	Taylah Spackman	Holly Beecham	Lakeisha Sheffield
70m Men	Charlie Hildyard	Luke Rigby	Xavier Poole
100m Under 14	Wes Shakeshaft	Kael Clarke	Oliver Wyatt
100m Women	Lakeisha Sheffield	Taylah Spackman	Mikayla Round
100m Men	Samuel Blyzno	Xavier Poole	Hayden Rothe
100m Over 35	Adam Evans	Misha Lizoguboff	Kasey Allen
400m Under 14	Jesse Strachan	Ashton Zorich	Charlie Camilleri
400m Under 18 Girls	Anya Horgan	Talulah Kovacic	Tully Allen
400m Under 18 Boys	Jett Taylor	Jack Combe	Zac Kinley
400m Women	Emma Henkel	Alex Day	Amie Mittiga
400m Men	Sam Kean	Max Disbury	Toby Cook
1000m Men	James McManus	James Grant	Tyler Gridley
1000m Women & Over 35	Alison Sorell	Emma Henkel	Jessica Kemp



Keith Patching Memorial Sprint

Photo: Neil Jameson

CITY OF PAE SPRINTS CARNIVAL

8th December 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Para	Jack Netting	Darcy Bekric	Madelene McNeil
70m Women	Leila Croker	Caitlin Stallan	Holly Beecham
70m Men	Josh Love	David Amaechi	Michael Moschou
100m Under 14	Maeve McGorm	Avalie Deboy	Dom Kinley
100m Under 18 Girls	Matilda Buchanan	Chantelle McAneney	Tigerlily Kovacic
100m Under 18 Boys	Jack Burfield	Hunter Griffiths	Joel Cedric Ebomo
100m Men	Josh Love	Aidan Murphy	Tomas Semmler
100m Women	Leila Croker	Taylah Spackman	Ellie Whittingham
100m Over 35	Anthony Fedele	Ali Saliu	Ben Abriani
300m Under 14	Isla Wood	Gisele Chernishev	Charlie Camilleri
300m Novice	Austin Botha	Lachlan Fanning	Jett Taylor
300m Over 35	Ali Saliu	James Grant	Matthew Cousins
550m Women	Jessica Kemp	Elsie Parsons	Mercedes Tierney
550m Men	Hayden Petherick	Rory White	Ryan Atkins
1600m Open	Sam Kean	James Grant	James McManus



City of PAE Sprints Carnival – Hayden Petherick

Photo Jen Poole

BAY SHEFFIELD CARNIVAL - DAY 1

28th December 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Women	Adam Evans	Tom Perry	John Evans
70m Men	Taylah Spackman	Brooke Hayball	Imogen Nobbs
120m Under 14			
120m Restricted	Jasmine Rowe	Jason Weah	Max Thompson
300m Under 14	Evelyn Cornish	Noah Charlesworth	Callum Cornish
300m Over 30 Women	Lyn Peake	Amie Mittiga	Sue Turner
300m Over 35 Men	David Gross	Ben Abriani	James Grant
550m Under 18 G	Beth Griffin	Tigerlily Kovacic	Elsie Parsons
550m Under 18 B	Finn Spanagel	Oliver Sibbick	Lewis Day
550m Women	Ali Wright	Lucy Zotti	Mercedes Tierney
800m Men	Michael Chimenton	Rory White	Tom Lancaster
3200m Open Frontmarkers	Terrence Kavanagh-Dando	Zach Szelag	Jett Noble
3200m Open Backmarkers	Thomas Elfenbein	Jacob Cocks	Adrian Potter
120m Little Aths. Girls	Bernadette Maio	Lara Hutchinson	Angelique Whittaker
120m Little Aths. Boys	Mitchell Moffat	Tyler Bell	Jack Wheeler
800m Masters	John Hore	Mary Abrey	Jerry Toon



70m Women's Glenelg Sprint, Brooke Hayball, Winner – Taylah Spackman, Imogen Nobbs & Minister for Rec. & Sport Katrine Hildyard

Photo: Jen Poole

BAY SHEFFIELD – DAY 2

29th December 2024

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Junior Girl's Bay Sheffield	Elsie Parsons	Aaliyah Zoalang	Olivia Parnell
Junior Boy's Bay Sheffield	Isaac Winther	Hunter Griffiths	Joel Cedric Ebomo
Women's Bay Sheffield	Taylah Spackman	Bree Masters	Holly Beecham
Men's Bay Sheffield	Sam Clark	Dashiell Muir & Tomas Semmler	
120m Backmarkers Invitational	Jake Ireland	Endale Mekonnen	Jordan McMillan
120m Under 14	Miller Salier	Wes Shakeshaft	Tyler Schmitt
120m Over 35	Tim Rosen	Paul Tancredi	Noddy Angelakos
120m Para Women	Lexie Bruce	Akeesha Snowden	Keira Post
120m Para Men	Darcy Bekric	Gabriel Wilson	Karl Supple
400m Little Aths. Girls	Bernadette Maio	Lara Hutchinson	Lyla Brown
400m Little Aths. Boys	Mitchell Moffat	William McManus	Blake Bush
550m Over 35 Men	David Haigh	Matthew Cousins	Ben Abriani
550m Men	Ben Wilson	Stuart Aberdein	James Grant
800m Under 18	Tyler Rowston	Finn Spanagel	Juvenal Doko Tchatoka
800m Women	Ali Wright	Emma Henkel	Eden Grant
1600m Women	Jessica McManus	Hannah Tourneur	Emily Wass
1600m Men Frontmarkers	James McManus	Tim Earle	Terrence Kavanagh-Dando
1600m Men Backmarkers	Benjamin Hayes	Thomas Kemp	Liam Hanrahan
1600m Select	Torben Roberts	Angus Hincksman	Arron Nitschke
1600m Over 35	Stefan Catalano	Michael Nitschke	Greg Hilson
Athlete of the meet	Ali Wright & Taylah Spackman		



Bay Sheffield Winner, Sam Clark, with coach Cathy Woodruff

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REYNELLA GIFT CARNIVAL

19th January 2025

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
120m Under 14	Ethan Palmer	Evelyn Cornish	Wyatt Taylor
120m Under 18 Girls	Tully Allen	Lakeisha Sheffield	Aaliyah Zoalang
120m Under 18 Boys	Lewis Day	Tyler Rowston	Joel Cedric Ebomo
120m Novice	Montana Clark	Maya Lange	Austin Botha
120m Para	Brayden Davidson	Oliver Baker	Karl Supple
120m Women	Lakeisha Sheffield	Jordan McMillan	Maya Lange
120m Men	Luis Lawrie-Lattanzio	Xavier Poole & Blake Jones	
120m Over 35	Andrew Boyd	Ryan Hancock	Jarrad Dartnall
400m Under 14	Oscar Norman	Gisele Grims	Ethan Palmer
400m Women	Ella Byrne	Brooke Hayball	Amie Mittiga
400m Men	Sam Kean	Rory White	Luis Lawrie-Lattanzio
400m Over 35	Andrew Boyd	Ben Abriani	Jarrad Dartnall
800m Women	Beth Griffin	Rachael Kean	Mercedes Tierney
800m Men	Gianny Scoleri	Cameron Konnis	Benjamin Hayes



Reynella 400 Winner Ella Byrne & Stephanie Noon
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MORT DALY RUNNING FOUNDATION CARNIVAL

24th January 2025 (Rescheduled from December due to hot weather)

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Women	Anne Marie Mouri Nkeng	Lakeisha Sheffield	Holly Beecham
70m Men	Luis Lawrie-Lattanzio	Misha Lizoguboff	Xavier Poole
70m Novice	Tyler Ford	Kanisha Serfontein	Blake Favretto
120m U14	Ava Ward	Ruben le Roux	Sydney Lambert
120m U18 Girls	Tyson Donovan	Lakeisha Sheffield	Tigerlily Kovacic
120m U18 Boys	Joel Cedric Ebomo Zoalang	Oliver Sibbick	Tyson Donovan
120m Over 35	Lyn Peake	Andrew Boyd	Ali Saliu
120m Women	Ella Byrne	Alex Day	Taylah Spackman
120m Men	Luis Lawrie-Lattanzio	Jack Doney	Mitchell Tucker
120m Para	Darcy Bekric	Karl Supple	Jack Netting
300m Under 14	Ashton Zorich	Julian Elder	Oscar Norman
550m U18 Girls	Tigerlily Kovacic	Lily Potter	Talulah Kovacic
550m U18 Boys	Luca Floreani	Oliver Sibbick	Lewis Day
550m Women	Isabel Hobbs	Molly Cook	Courtney Ryder
550m Men	James Grant	Rory White	Toby Cook
550m Over 35	Matthew Cousins	Ben Abriani	Albert Jamae
1600m Men	John Thomson	Archer Charles	Sam Kean
1600m Women & Over 35	Mercedes Tierney	Mercedes Tierney	Mercedes Tierney



Inaugural Brenda Pearl 70m Sprint - Lakeisha Sheffield, Anne Marie Mourie Nkeng & Holly Beecham

Photo Jen Poole

CAMDEN CLASSIC

2nd February 2025

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
120m Under 14	Spencer Waters	Tyler Schmitt	Jude Haywood
120m Under 18 Girls	Scarlett Poole	Tigerlily Kovacic	Olivia Tierney
120m Under 18 Boys	Tyler Rowston	Hunter Griffiths	Jack Mitchell
120m Men	Alex Dunn	Charlie Hildyard	Ryley James
120m Women	Lakeisha Sheffield	Anya Kalu	Chantelle McAneney
120m Para	Jack Netting	Lexie Bruce	Karl Supple
120m Over 35	Anne Marie Mouri Nkeng	Andrew Boyd	Kasey Allen
400m Under 14	Ethan Palmer	Dom Kinley	Ashton Zorich
400m Under 18 Girls	Tully Allen	Scarlett Poole	Talulah Kovacic
400m Under 18 Boys	Zac Kinley	James McManus	William Hayes
Camden Classic Women	Ella Byrne	Alex Day	Brooke Hayball
Camden Classic Men	Luke Rigby	Hayden Rothe	Ryan Atkins
400m Women Consolation	Rachael Kean	Mercedes Tierney	Jessica McManus
400m Men Consolation	Xavier Poole	Gras Amekata	Sam Kean
400m Over 30 Women	Kasey Allen	Courtney Ryder	Alisha Peeters
400m Over 35 Men	Jarrad Dartnall	Ben Abriani	Albert Jamae
800m Novice	Maddy Humphry	Ella Donnelly	Juvenal Doko Tchatoka
1600m Open	Tyler Gridley	Archer Charles	Michael Nitschke
Athlete of the meet	Ella Byrne		



Camden Classic Final – Winner Luke Rigby

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WESTERN ATHLETICS CLUB GIFT

16th February 2025

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Under 14	Jude Haywood	Ruben le Roux	Wyatt Taylor
70m Under 18 Girls	Tigerlily Kovacic	Anelise Bewry	Matilda Buchanan
70m Under 18 Boys	Nathan Flesfadar	Lewis Day	Jack Mitchell
70m Over 35	Andrew Boyd	Sue Turner	Jarrad Dartnall
70m Para	Gabriel Wilson	Lexie Bruce	Karl Supple
70m Women	Ella Clogg	Maya Lange	Holly Beecham
70m Men	Tyler Ford	Ryley James	Angelo Otero
200m Under 14	Wyatt Taylor	Gisele Chernishev	Riley Fielder
200m Women	Lauren McHugh	Tigerlily Kovacic	Elsie Parsons
200m Men	Blake Jones	Dylan Boyce	Joel Cedric Ebomo
200m Over 35	Hayley Kovacic	Ben Abriani	Albert Jamae
1600m Open	Michael Nitschke	Nicholas Dallimore	Archer Charles
70m Little Athletics Boys	Tyler Bell	Lachlan Bell	Easton Mehaffey Paul Gluszkowski
70m Little Athletics Girls	Hannah Gluszkowski	Chelsea Petersen	Ellie Barnes
200m Little Athletics Boys	Will Day	Sadra Barkhordar	Sajad Barkhordar
200m Little Athletics Girls	Sophie Petersen	Elodie Montgomery	Jessica Gluskowski



Maya Lange, Ella Clogg and Holly Beecham and the much coveted Supreme Quilt pillows.

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NIPPY'S LOXTON GIFT

22nd February 2025

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Under 14	Tyler Schmitt	Noah Charlesworth	Lilliana Hoffman
70m Women	Chantelle McAnaney	Tully Allen	Maya Lange
70m Men	Isaac Marschall	Xavier Poole	David Amaechi
120m Under 18 Girls	Anya Horgan	Talulah Kovacic	Tigerlily Kovacic
120m Under 18 Boys	Isaac Marschall	Zac Kinley	Jett Taylor
120m Over 35	Sue Turner	David Palmer	Kasey Allen
120m Women	Chantelle McAnaney	Amelie Burge	Alex Day
120m Men	Blake Jones	Nicholas Krznaric	Jack Hale
300m Under 18 Girls	Anya Horgan	Scarlett Poole	Matilda Buchanan
300m Under 18 Boys	Lewis Day	Isaac Marschall	Tyler Rowston
300m Women	Ellie Whittingham	Ella Byrne	Ali Wright
300m Men	Sam Kean	Toby Cook	John Evans
300m Over 30 Women	Lauren McHugh	Sue Turner	Hayley Kovacic
300m Over 35 Men	Ben Abriani	Tim Noblet	David Palmer
1000m Men	Oliver Sibbick	Michael Nitschke	Rory White
1000m Women & Over 35	Mercedes Tierney	Jessica Kemp	Beth Griffin
50m Sprint Skins			
Athlete of the meet	Chantelle McAnaney		



Nippy's Loxton Gift Winner Blake Jones, with Nicholas Kryznaric and Jake Hale

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MCKINNON PARADE CARNIVAL

2nd March 2025

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Under 14	Ruben le Roux	Kael Clarke	Ethan Palmer
70m Under 18 Girls	Talulah Kovacic	Chantelle McAneney	Lakeisha Sheffield
70m Under 18 Boys	Lewis Day	Jack Mitchell	Zac Kinley
70m Over 35	Jarrad Dartnall	Kasey Allen	Daniel Flesfadar
70m Para	Ross Hill-Brown	Karl Supple	William Brown
70m Women	Maya Lange	Tully Allen	Chantelle McAneney
70m Men	Jack Burfield	Joel Cedric Ebomo	John Evans
300m Under 14	Mo Kulinincz	William Hayes	Julian Elder
300m Under 18 Girls	Tully Allen	Talulah Kovacic	Aaliyah Zoalang
300n Under 18 Boys	Lachlan Fanning	Austin Botha	Nathan Flesfadar
300m Women	Isabel Hobbs	Elsie Parsons	Mercedes Tierney
300m Men	John Evans	Michael Hayes	Rory White
300m Over 35	Hayley Kovacic	Sue Turner	Andrew Boyd
1600m Open	Timothy Hayes	Michael Nitschke	Gianny Scoleri



McKinnon Parade Past Members
Photo Jen Poole

BELAIR PICNIC MEET END OF SEASON CELEBRATION CARNIVAL

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
300m Over 35	Ben Abriani	Andrew Boyd	Jarrad Dartnall
<i>EOS Celebration Races</i>			
60m Under 14	Ethan Palmer	Kael Clarke	Tyler Schmitt
60m Para	William Brown	Karl Supple	Nathan Woods
60m Women	Tully Allen	Lakeisha Sheffield	Taylah Spackman
60m Men	Lewis Day	Zac Kinley	Nathan Flesfader
60m Over 35	Gary Mahon	Kasey Allen	Jarrad Dartnall
300m Under 14	Isla Wood	Ethan Palmer	Dom Kinley
300m Under 18	Emma Potter	Tully Allen	Lachlan Fanning
300m Women	Maddy Humphry	Alex Day	Alicia Rawson
300m Men	Cameron Konnis	Michael Hayes	Luke Rigby
5km Open	Jett Noble	Jordan Harvey	Maddy Humphry/Isabel Hobbs





GATHER ROUND SPRINT

12th & 13th April 2025

SAAL Exhibition Races

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Under 14	Oscar Norman	Ethan Palmer	
70m Under 18	Oliver Sibbick	Tully Allen	Lewis Day
70m Over 35	Ross Hill Brown	Jarrad Dartnall	Kasey Allen
70m Women	Tully Allen	Helena Schwerdt	Alex Day
70m Men	Joseph McKinnon	Blake Jones	Jarrad Dartnall

Community Footballer Races

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
70m Under 14 Girls	Evelyn Cornish	Mia Walasek	Maddison Meek
70m Under 14 Boys	Tyler Bell	Jude Haywood	Patrick McDonald
70m Under 16 Girls	Scarlett Axon	Layla Robertson	Layla Pentreath
70m Under 16 Boys	Rowan McClelland	Jackson Camilleri	Nate Fowler
70m Under 18 Girls	Tully Allen	Neveah Bates	Isabel Smart
70m Under 18 Boys	Jesse Paul	Lachlan Sands	Zac McCarthur
70m Women	Lakeisha Sheffield	Lily Smart	Paige Allan
70m Men	Max Disbury	Wallace Long-Scafidi	Ethan Gant



STAWELL

It was an incredible and unforgettable experience to be in Stawell in 2025. The atmosphere was electric and public interest high with Gout Gout, Lachlan Kennedy and Bree Rizzo amongst the strong fields in attendance. Congratulations to the Victorian Athletic League on a brilliant Carnival.

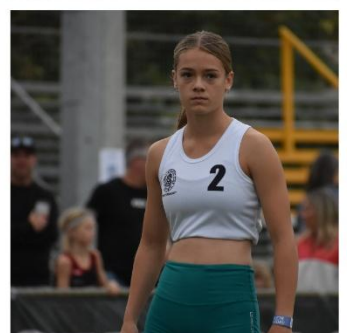
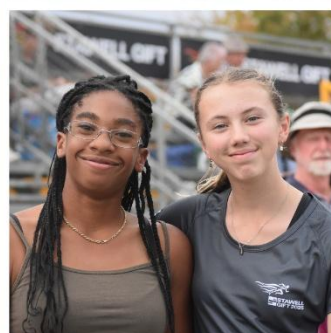
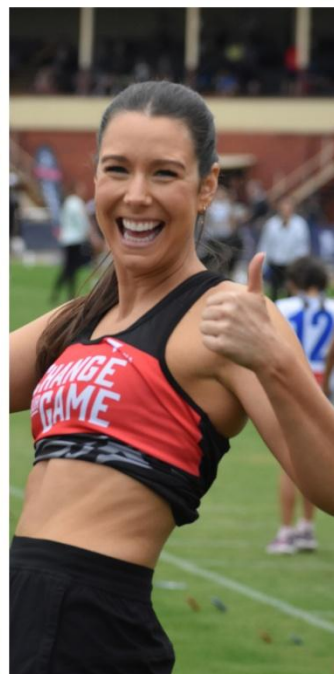
Our very own John Evans won the Stawell Gift, the first South Australian male to do so in 27 years. It was 40 years since his coach Paul Young won the same race. Over 70 South Australians made the trip over to race.

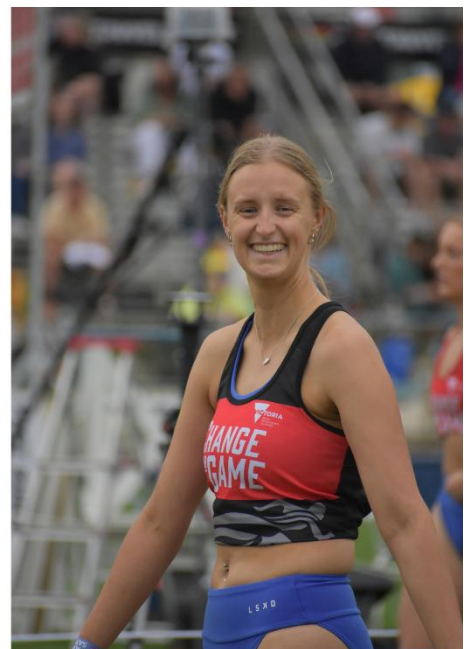
Congratulations to all athletes. Lock Stawell into your calendar next Easter!

John Evans	Winner 120m Men's Stawell Gift
Benjamin Hayes	Winner 3200m Open
William Hayes	Winner 800m Under 18

Other notable performances include

Ryan Atkins	2 nd	400m Backmarkers
Charlotte McAuliffe	2 nd	400m Women
Michael Nitschke	3 rd	3200m Open
Ben van Raalte	4 th	3200m Open
Leila Croker	4 th	70m Open Women
Ella Donnelly	4 th	1600m Restricted
Jack Burfield	6 th	100m Under 18 Boys
Hayden Petherick	5 th	400m Frontmarkers
Cameron Konnis	6 th	400m Frontmarkers
Xavier Poole	6 th	400m Backmarkers
Juvenal Doko Tchatoka	6 th	800m Under 18
Timothy Hayes	7 th	800m Under 18
Joseph McKinnon	8 th	400m Backmarkers





BEHIND THE SCENES

We have a truly wonderful team at the SA Athletic League. What makes them so special is how much they truly care about how well the SAAL is doing and what they can do to help. Thank you to everyone that has helped over the past season from both the Management Committee and the membership. .



Brian Hart, Phil Daws, Michael Buckler, Trish McHendrie
John Turner, Trish McHendrie, Gordon Brimble, Terry McAuliffe, Scarlett Poole
Kathy and Barry Rofe, Chris Dimitrak, Damian Robinson, Trevor Mules, Liberato Icolaro
Mark Howson, Kevin McAnaney, Shane Grimwade, Adam Cleary

SEASON 2024/2025 AWARD WINNERS



Luis Lawrie Lattanzio, Taylah Spackman, Tyler Gridley, Tigerlily Kovacic,
Shane Thiele & Michael Buckler, Lexie Bruce, Lewis Day, Ethan Palmer
Frank McHugh, Ella Byrne, Camden Athletic Club, Sam Kean with Coach Ian Burge,
Kasey Allen, Ben Abriani and Coach Gary Thompson, Mercedes Tierney, Xavier and Scarlett Poole

SEASON 2024/2025 AWARDS

Award Title	1	2	3
Short Sprint Award	Luis Lawrie – Lattanzio	Xavier Poole	Blake Jones
Long Sprint Award	Sam Kean	Luke Rigby	Rory White
Middle Distance Award	= 1 st Sam Kean & Tyler Gridley	Timothy Hayes	James McManus
Women's Short Sprint Award	Taylah Spackman	Holly Beecham	Lakeisha Sheffield
Women's Long Sprint Award	Ella Byrne	Alex Day	Ellie Whittingham
Women's Middle Distance Award	Mercedes Tierney	Beth Griffin	= 3 rd Ali Wright & Emma Potter
Under 14 Award	Ethan Palmer	Wes Shakeshaft	Jude Haywood
Under 18 Girls Award	Tigerlily Kovacic	= 2 nd Anya Horgan & Tully Allen	
Under 18 Boys Award	Lewis Day	Oliver Sibbick	Nathan Flesfader
Over 35 Award - Men	Ben Abriani	= 2 nd Andrew Boyd & Jarrad Dartnall	
Over 35 Award – Women	Kasey Allen	Sue Turner	Hayley Kovacic
Para Athlete Award	Lexie Bruce	= 2 nd Gabriel Wilson & Darcy Bekric	
Novice Club Award	Camden Athletic Club	Brighton Bombers	Reynella
Club of the Year	Camden Athletic Club	Grange Track Squad	Reynella
Coach of the Year	Frank McHugh	Paul Young	Ian Burge
Athlete of the Year	Sam Kean	Taylah Spackman	Lakeisha Sheffield
Ian Reddaway Memorial Award	Scarlett & Xavier Poole		

SERIES AWARDS

Award Title	1	2	3
Supreme Quilts O35 Middle Distance McKinnon Reddaway Award	Ben Abriani	Hayley Kovacic	Jarrad Dartnall

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

DAVID PALMER



David Palmer has been involved with SAAL since 1995 as an athlete, coach, sponsor and volunteer.

Evergreen David began as an athlete with Keith Patching and has won 33 sashes including the Camden Classic, Loxton 300m, Cousin Jack 120m and Bay Sheffield 550m.

David coached his group at Middleton and would make the trip to most meets with his squad as well as helping out with the Fleurieu Gift.

David's business, Beach Huts Middleton, is a valued long-term sponsor of the Keith Patching Memorial Carnival and David also donated the 550m Bay Sheffield Trophy for 10 years.

David is always happy to lend a hand when available and his youthful smile and friendly demeanour is very much valued in the SAAL Community.

Well done and thank you David!

TONY OWEN



Tony Owen has provided outstanding service to the SAAL for more than 50 years.

Whilst we pay to use his PA System, you may not be aware that Tony volunteers his time to the League. He rarely misses a meet, first to arrive and last to leave, he stays on hand for the duration of the carnival to ensure that he can quickly solve any problem that may arise.

Tony is proud that his first wife was among those to start the Women's competition in SAAL. His daughter also ran with the League for some time.

Tony is well known for his interesting choices in music during the carnival and has no doubt introduced many older niche songs to some of our younger members.

High quality sound is integral to our sport and delivery of the race call so thank you Tony for your commitment to the League.

BAY SHEFFIELD HALL OF FAME



Bay Sheffield Hall of Fame Legend - Brendon Wilson

The South Australian Athletic League is proud to announce that Brendon Wilson, a former Bay Sheffield winner, has been named the very first inductee into the Bay Sheffield Hall of Fame.

Brendon, one of three brothers—Pat, Brendan, and Michael—who all competed in the Bay Sheffield Carnival, is celebrated for his remarkable achievements at Glenelg. His

legendary status is well-deserved, as his contributions to the sport are extraordinary.

Brendon won the 1971 Bay Sheffield 130-yard event, running into a two-yard headwind. Starting off a handicap mark of six yards, he quickly surged ahead to win comfortably in a time of 12.2 seconds in front of a crowd of 3,000 spectators. His time was an impressive two yards inside "even time," showcasing his incredible talent. He was trained by former Bendigo winner Sam Baldwyn.

A versatile athlete, Brendon also achieved the unique distinction of winning the Patawalonga Handicap over 400 yards in three consecutive years (1968, 1969, and 1970) at the Bay Sheffield Carnival. His dominance over the 400-meter distance earned him three titles in consecutive years.

Brendan's toughness as an athlete was unparalleled. Competing well into his 40s, he won titles across Australia and in the United States in events ranging from 100 meters to 400 meters.

Remarkably, Brendan overcame significant adversity in his life. After contracting polio at the age of four, he was confined to a steel frame for two years, with doctors doubting he would ever walk again. Yet, through sheer determination and resilience, Brendan defied all odds to become a champion and an inspiration to many.

The South Australian Athletic League congratulates Brendon Wilson on his induction into the Bay Sheffield Hall of Fame—a fitting tribute to an extraordinary athlete and his incredible legacy.



Bay Sheffield Hall of Fame Inductee - Matt Barber

Matt Barber literally pioneered the influx of West Australian athletes to the Bay Sheffield carnival. Before Matt came along, WA athletes rarely competed at the Bay Sheffield and hadn't won a race at the Bay before.

In his second trip to the Bay in 1990, Matt stamped his name in the record books, coaching three winners at Colley Reserve. Dean Capobianco won the Bay Sheffield off 1.50m to become the first athlete to

complete the Stawell Gift/Bay Sheffield double in the same calendar year; Peter O'Dwyer won the 70m and Iain Dennis took out the 120m Junior Boy's race.

Matt also coached three athletes to the Bay Sheffield final in 1990 – Capobianco (1st), O'Dwyer (4th) and Ben Collins (6th).

Matt Barber's squad competed at the Bay Sheffield carnival from 1988 to 2016. During that time Barber's athletes won 14 races including three men's Bay Sheffields and three women's Bay Sheffields. He, in fact holds the record for the most victories in the premier men's (3) & women's (3) 120m open events with six.

Matt has had 15 finalists in the Men's Bay Sheffield – a record for any interstate coach.

Matt Barber's list of winners at the Bay Sheffield carnival:

1. 1988 Consolation 120m - Peter O'Dwyer
2. 1990 Men's 120m Bay Sheffield – Dean Capobianco
3. 1990 Men's 70m Open - Peter O'Dwyer
4. 1990 Junior Boy's 120m - Iain Dennis
5. 1992 Restricted 120m - Iain Dennis
6. 1993 Bay Sheffield 120m Invitation - Andrew McManus
7. 1994 Women's 120m Bay Sheffield - Nova Peris
8. 1997 Men's 120m Bay Sheffield - Rod Buchanan
9. 1999 Men's Bay Sheffield - Andrew McManus
10. 2000 Junior Boy's 120m - Darren Rogers
11. 2003 Men's 70m Open - Evan Jarvis
12. 2008 Men's 70m Open - Cameron Yorke
13. 2013 Women's 120m Bay Sheffield - Kiara Reddingius
14. 2015 Women's 120m Bay Sheffield - Kobi Evans

Men's Bay Sheffield Finalists (15)

- 1988 Mark Howard (5th)
- 1990 Dean Capobianco (1st)
- 1990 Peter O'Dwyer (4th)
- 1990 Ben Collins (6th)

1992 Kieren Finn (2nd)
 1994 Paul Edmiston (3rd)
 1997 Rod Buchanan (1st)
 1997 Kyle Mervin (6th)
 1999 Andrew McManus (1st)
 2001 Darren Rogers (3rd)
 2002 Paul Edmiston (4th)
 2003 Andrew McManus (3rd)
 2004 Simon Crichton (3rd)
 2009 Cameron Yorke (6th)
 2016 Evan Jarvis (3rd)

Other notable results:

1988 Men's 70m Open - Mark Howard (2nd)
 1991 Backmarkers 120m Invitation Dean Capobianco (3rd)
 1993 Backmarkers 120m Invitation Paul Edmiston (3rd)
 1995 Men's 70m Open - Shane Hearn (3rd)
 1996 Backmarkers 120m Invitation Shane Hearn (3rd)
 2003 Backmarkers 120m Invitation Rod Buchanan (2nd)



Hall of Fame Inductee - Alicia Wrench Doody

Alicia commenced competing with the SA Athletic League in the 2007/2008 season.

In her first season with the SAAL, Alicia ran 5th in the 2007 Bay Sheffield (14.34 off 8.25m) after her 3rd place in the Women's 70m (8.59s off 5.0m) on Day One.

The following year, Alicia returned to the Bay Sheffield as the hot favourite and emphatically won the Bay Sheffield by 4m. (13.73s off 7.25m). A week later Alicia became the first and only athlete to win the Women's Bay

Sheffield/Burnie Gift double.

In March 2009, Alicia ran 3rd in the Australian open national 100m title behind Sally Pearson and Melissa Breen and was 2nd in the 200m to Breen. This earned Alicia a trip to Osaka, Japan as part of the Women's 4x100m relay squad.

Alicia immediately became an event backmarker for future women's Bay Sheffield sprint events. She was the tightest handicapped SA athlete in the 70m and 120m for the next five years - 2009 to 2013. Only NSW based athletes Laura Whaler, Piranee Steinert and Christine Wearne were handicapped behind her in a couple of the years they attended the Bay Sheffield.

Her victory in the 2011 Women's 70m off 1.50m is the lowest handicap any South Australian (male or female) athlete has won a short sprint (70m) event at the Bay Sheffield.

Overall, Alicia made 5 finals, including 3 in the Women's Bay Sheffield. In three of them she was the backmarker and won 2 sashes.

YEAR	Event	Handicap	Result	Time
2007	70m	5.00	3rd in FINAL	8.59
2007	120m	8.25	5th in FINAL	14.34
2008	120m	7.25	WON FINAL	13.73
2009	70m	1.00	Scratched	N/A
2009	120m	1.00	Scratched	N/A
2010	70m	1.00	7th in Heat	8.91
2010	120m	1.75	6th in Heat	14.57
2011	70m	1.50	WON FINAL	8.47
2011	120m	1.75	6th in FINAL	14.14
2012	70m	0.50	Scratched	N/A
2012	120m	1.75	5th in Semi Final	14.91
2012	120m	1.75	4th in Invitation Bkmrs	14.96
2013	70m	1.25	Scratched	N/A
2013	120m	2.25	3rd in Semi Final	14.86