



## **TASMANIAN MASTERS ATHLETICS INC.**

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### **PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023**

It has been another successful year for Tasmanian Masters Athletics, and our relationship with Athletics Tasmania and its affiliates continue to prosper. We cannot operate on our own, and my thanks goes out to those not on the committee but without their support and cooperation we couldn't offer the activities we do.

Over the last 12 months we have been very busy holding numerous events over the winter and summer for our members. This summer also contained the Australian Championships. After missing a few years, it was great to finally be able to attend the event. Sydney provided ideal competition conditions which resulted in exceptional performances for our members ranging from personal bests to State and Australian records. We will be hosting the Australian Championships in March/April 2024 and it would be great to have everyone involved in the event either as a competitor or volunteer.

We had an increase in member numbers in the 2022-2023 season, up to 253 from 234. Given that the Australian Masters Championships are in Hobart next March, we would really love to push up to 300 members for this next year.

#### Tasmanian Masters Committee 2022-2023

President: Fiona Lennon, Vice president: Peter Lyden

Secretary: Phil Hand, Treasurer: Mike Walker

Competition Director: Cathy McKeown, Awards Officer: Val Smith

Registrar: Reg Magierowski, Communications Director: Theresa Harrex

Equipment Director: Wayne French, Statistician: Tania and Andrew Bonsey then David O'Brien

Uniform Director: Phil Hniat

Our hard-working committee continues to meet monthly ensuring our club runs successfully. This year, however, two of our long-term committee members are not re-nominating for their current roles. Our Treasurer, Mike, and our Secretary, Phil, are both standing down from those positions. Mike has been a committee member for 17 years, as President, Treasurer and Secretary at various times, and is a treasure trove of knowledge. He will be truly missed. Phil has been on the committee for 9 Years, as registrar and secretary, and is incredibly hard working. The amount of time and effort he put into these roles was recognised with him being awarded the Australian Masters Athletics Administrator of the Year Award in 2022. They have both made valuable contributions and will be hugely missed in these roles. Hopefully this is not the last we will see of them.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the committee for their untiring work over the last 12 months, our success is only achievable due to their dedication and willingness to volunteer their time and expertise to our organisation.

We continue to produce our weekly newsletter and our Facebook group generates good traffic and provides another avenue for communication and discussion. The TMA website continues as an effective source of information for existing and prospective members.

But remember Masters Athletics is not just about winning, it is about getting out there and being physically active and having a great time. So, I encourage everyone to continue to participate if possible or offer some assistance officiating if you are restricted from competing.

**Fiona Lennon**  
**President**  
**19 May 2023**