



Tasmanian Masters Athletics Inc.

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PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

It's my pleasure to report to the members of our Association on another very successful year.

As is always the case, this success is only achievable due to the dedication of those members who are willing to volunteer their time and expertise for the benefit of our Association, whether they are on the committee or just assist in some small way each week. We cannot operate successfully on our own, and we acknowledge the continued support and assistance of the wider athletic community in Tasmania, particularly Athletics South, Northern Tasmania Athletics and Athletics Tasmania.

I would like to take a moment to remember Danny Byas who recently passed away quite suddenly.

Danny was a long-time member, and a member of the committee for 4 years, including being the Fun Run Director for 2 years. Danny was also a very accomplished photographer. When he wasn't competing, he could be found behind the lens of his camera taking action shots. We pass on our condolences to Gloria and her family.

Phil Hand, our secretary, has done an incredible job in managing the overall activities of the Association in the last 12 months. His hard work and attention to detail has been recognised by him being awarded the AMA Administrator of the Year Award. Phil's detailed report provides information on our activities for the last 12 months, along with notable performances and awards, and events going forward. His contribution to the club has been tremendous.

Mike Walker has continued in his role of Treasurer, and made sure we seamlessly function whilst ensuring our finances remain on a solid footing.

Reg Magierowski continued to work her behind the scenes magic as our Registrar. She is the vital cog in maintaining our membership database, and dealing with enquiries about registration. We are very fortunate to have Reg's considerable IT skills.

Theresa Harrex has stepped into the role of Communications Director, and has done an outstanding job in this role, keeping our members up to date with the latest news and events throughout the state via the Weekly news. Our Facebook page continues to be popular, allowing more regular informal photos and articles to be distributed to our members. It is a quick and efficient way to communicate results and

upcoming events. Thank you also to our Facebook administrators, in particular, Phil Hand and to Ben Hughes, our Webmaster, who continues to provide expert advice and support on the maintenance of our website.

Wayne French, Equipment Director, continues to ensure that we have all the necessary implements and other equipment to enable our competitions to take place in a safe and appropriate manner. Thank you also to Wayne Fletcher for your on-going support and certification of our field equipment for competition.

Cathy McKeown has done an outstanding job in her demanding role of Statistician, which she is standing down from this year, to take up the role of Competition Director. As Statistician she kept our club record database up to date, and compiled unbiased data for the committee's appraisal when considering recipients for various awards, both locally and on a national level. The Statistician role has traditionally been quite expansive and time consuming, so this role has now been split into two. I would like to welcome Tanya and Andrew Bonsey onboard who have nominated to take on the Statistician Role. The new position this year is the Awards Officer, who will liaise with both the Competition Director and Statistician to decide on applicants for the various local and National awards. Val Smith has nominated to take up this position.

I would like to recognize the tremendous knowledge and support of Jarrod Gibson. Jarrod is also heavily involved in Athletics South, and the continued inclusion of AS point scoring Interclub distance event on a Wednesday evening, significantly added to our southern numbers.

Congratulations to all our members who have achieved a season or personal best this year. It is fantastic that so many are out there participating and continuing to be physically active. As always, in any sport there are those who stand out, which is demonstrated by the various State records broken this season Elizabeth Leitch has been kept very busy this year with her calligraphy work on the record certificates. There have been quite a few, and we thank her for her continued dedication.

Phil Hniat has continued to do an exemplary job as our uniform coordinator. Keeping the uniforms at the DAC seems to have been a positive move, making it easier for Phil to access stock, and for athletes to try on uniform items and subsequently purchase them.

Vicky Gunn is not renominating as our Northern Delegate. We would like to thank her for the amazing job she has done in this role over the last couple of years, and we wish you well for your future plans. Matt Zegveld has volunteered to take up the position. He has big shoes to fill, but I'm sure he is up to the task. Recruiting new members and staying relevant are the keys to keeping a strong northern presence for the TMA.

Pete Lyden is staying on as Vice President, and his wealth of knowledge and experience is invaluable. His support and advice over the last couple of years has been appreciated.

To quote Pete, "stay healthy, happy and enjoy the company of your fellow athletes, family and friends, remembering we are a club/association of participators, not administrators.

Fiona Lennon

President

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