



# ATHLETICS WELLINGTON

## NEWSLETTER to CLUBS

### July 2022

**Athletics Wellington Board for 2022 as @ AGM**

**President** - Bernice Dickie

**Chairman** - Jake Inwood

Joshua Dorman

Joshua Ledger

Julia Ratcliffe

Eric Speakman

Andrew Wharton

Michael Wray

**General Manager** - Tony Rogers

**Appointed Treasurer** - Todd Stevens

The 2022 ANNUAL REPORT is available online at

<https://athleticswellington.org.nz/our-documents/>

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022**

The **AGM** was held on June 28 at Olympic Clubrooms in Johnsonville. The President Bernice Dickie was re-elected for her 2<sup>nd</sup> term and the one board position required to be elected went to current board member Joshua Ledger unopposed. The Chairman highlighted the current solid strong financial position considering the Covid effects, with income benefits from the Colgate Games hosting. The adoption of a new Strategic Plan. He thanked the board and the General manager for his work during the year.

## CONGRATULATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

### TEAM

#### REPRESENTATIVES



### World Athletics Championships – Oregon 2022

Hamish Carson [Scottish] and Quentin Rew [WHAC] will compete in the 5000 metres and 20km Road Race Walk. Rew will attend his 6<sup>th</sup> World Championships but compete at the new 20km Walk rather than the 50km and Carson a Rio Olympian at 1500m will compete over 5000m after his excellent 13.17.27 and 13.23.37.

#### RESULTS:

Quentin Rew 20km race Walk - **35<sup>th</sup> place 1.29.19**

Hamish Carson 5000metres – **Heat 2, 12<sup>th</sup> 13.37.62**

### Commonwealth Games – Birmingham 2022

Quentin Rew [WHAC] is the sole Wellington rep at the Birmingham Games where he will walk the 10km Race Walk. Hamilton athlete, and AW board member Julia Ratcliffe will defend her Hammer title.

### World Under 20 Championships – Cali, Colombia

Will Anthony [Olympic] 3000 metres will be competing in Cali before taking up his USA College scholarship.

### Oceania Championships – Mackay Queensland

Athletics Wellington representatives who competed in the 2022 Oceania Championships at the new athletics facility in Mackay, North Queensland in early June. Results were,  
Anna Thomson [Mana] – Senior Women's Triple Jump 4<sup>th</sup>, 12.43m  
Liam Webb [Kiwi] Senior Men's 400m 2<sup>nd</sup>, 47.50 and 200m 7<sup>th</sup>, 21.84, Liam now resides in North Sydney but continues to clock great results running 46.96 in SYD earlier in the year which top the NZ 2022 rankings  
Elizabeth Hewitt [Mana] - Under 20 Women's Hammer 3<sup>rd</sup>, 48.35m

Max Abbot [Karori] – Under 20 Men's Discus 4<sup>th</sup>, 52.40m; Hammer 5<sup>th</sup>, 50.50m, and Shot Put 6<sup>th</sup>, 14.89m

Will Anthony [Olympic] – Under 20 Men's 3000m, 1<sup>st</sup> 3,000m 8.20.37 setting a new Championship Record by 18 seconds.

Ben Lambert [Paraparaumu] – Men's Under 18 100m 5<sup>th</sup> in 11.09. NZ 4 x 100m 2nd

## RECENT SUCCESSES ABROAD

Several Athletics Wellington athletes have been setting records and personal best across the globe – A few to note are two of our special long serving master's athletes **Roger Robinson** [Victoria University] running 54.10 for an M8 NZ record over 10km in May. Likewise, **Jacqui Wilson** [Trentham] competing at the World Masters in Tampere Finland set a new W75 20km Walk World Masters and NZMA record, along with several other gold medals.

**James Preston** [Wellington Scottish] set two personal best over 800m record 1.45.30 to become ranked third in NZL All-time list behind Sir Peter Snell and Sir John Walker. In the spring of USA two young middle-distance women from Wellington Club. **Hamish Carson** and **Quentin Rew** recorded performance to merit their selection to Oregon World Championships. **Alison Andrews-Paul** [Athletics Wairarapa], has enjoyed terrific season based out Simon Fraser University, Vancouver running 2.01.43 for 800m to place her 5<sup>th</sup> on Women's NZL All time women's list, while **Maia Ramsden** [WHAC] has shot up the Women's NZL All time 1500m rankings with 4.12.46 and 10<sup>th</sup> place in the NCAA finals.

## AWARDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Athletics Wellington Annual Awards were held in April supported by **Accor Group Hotels Novotel** and **Ibis**. Major Award Category winners were as listed. A full list is in the annual report.

U20 Women's athlete of the Year  
U20 Men's athlete of the Year  
Men's Para athlete of the Year  
Women's Team of the Year  
Men's Team of the Year  
Masters Women's athlete of the Year  
Masters Men's athlete of the Year  
Female Official of the Year  
Male Official of the Year  
Female Volunteer of the Year  
Female Volunteer of the Year  
Senior Male Coach of the Year  
Senior Female Coach of the Year  
Junior Male Coach of the Year  
Junior Female Coach of the Year  
Women's Sprinter of the Year  
Men's Sprinter of the Year  
Women's Mid & Long-distance athlete of the year  
Men's Mid & Long-distance athlete of the year  
Women's Jumper of the Year  
Men's Jumper of the Year  
Women's Thrower of the Year  
Men's Thrower of the Year  
Men's Race Walker of the Year  
Women's Race Walker of the Year  
Men's Out Of Stadia Athlete of the Year  
Women's Out of Stadia Athlete of the Year

Elizabeth Hewitt  
Max Abbot  
Corran Hanning  
Olympic AC W20 Road Relay  
Mana AC 4 x 100m Relay -  
Michelle Allison  
Gary Rawson  
Sheelagh Prosser  
Eddie Soria  
Amanda Goldsmith  
Mike Ritchie  
Shaka Sola  
Julie Richards  
Brian Seymour  
Amanda Goldsmith  
Lili Szabo  
Cody Wilson  
Susannah Lynch  
Nick Willis  
Anna Thomson  
Mathew Bealing  
Elizabeth Hewitt  
Max Abbot  
Quentin Rew  
Jacqueline Wilson  
Will Anthony  
Ruby Muir



*Athletics Wellington Female Athlete of the Year Anna Thomson and Male Athlete of the Year Quentin Rew*

### **Nuku Ora Award Regional Sports Award Finalist were**

**Shaka Sola**  
*Coach of the Year*  
**Max Abbot, Will Anthony, Corran Hanning -**  
*Emerging Male Athletes of the year*  
**Elizabeth Hewitt**  
*Emerging Female Athlete of the year*  
**Corran Hanning**  
*Para Athlete of the year*

Two young athletes were invited to act as Nuku Ora trophy escorts. Congratulations to Hugo Jones and Poppy Healy on your work.

## UPCOMING MAJOR EVENT NEWS

### Athletics NZ Club Connections Conference and AGM – Saturday 3 September @ NZCIS Campus Trentham

Take an opportunity to connect with club and athletics people from across NZ to network for new ideas and sharing

#### Track and Field

**16 July** - World Championships – Oregon, USA

**2 Aug** - Commonwealth Games – Birmingham, UK

**19 Nov** – National 10000m Championships - Wellington [TBC]

**2 - 4 Dec** – NZ Masters Championships , Wellington

**2 - 6 Mar** – NZ Track & Field Championships Wellington

#### Cross Country and Road

**31 July** National Cross-Country Championships- Taupo

**4 Sep** National Road Race Championships – Wellington

**1 Oct** National Club Road Relay Championships - Christchurch

#### Young People

**Colgate Games**

**6 - 8 January 2023**

Venue Change – Palmerston North to Wanganui

## OFFICIALS and VOLUNTEERS WANTED



Athletics Wellington is calling out for any person who wishes to be an official or volunteer for all our major events and regular weekend events or mid-week schools' events. Athletics Wellington will provide training and induction opportunities will be available. Our sport needs you now !!! Take an opportunity to be up close and work alongside some of NZ best athletes and support them as an official or volunteer. The Pathway begins now for you look to Brisbane 2032 Olympics.

Our next training intake will potentially be late August/September. To register your interest, please contact the GM [gm@athleticswellington.org.nz](mailto:gm@athleticswellington.org.nz) , Vaughan Oates - [v.oates@gns.cri.nz](mailto:v.oates@gns.cri.nz) or Eddie Soria - [eddie\\_soria@fastmail.com](mailto:eddie_soria@fastmail.com)

## Athletics NZ Conference and Road Championships

Wellington is hosting the Athletics New Zealand Annual Connections Conference Athletics and Annual General Meeting.

The Connections Conference is Saturday 3 September from 10.00am to 4.00pm and the 135<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting commences at 4.15pm Attendance is free to all clubs affiliated for 2022/23; all affiliated clubs are encouraged to send a delegate(s) to both the conference and AGM. There is no charge to attend Register Here

<https://2022-agm-connectionsconference.eventdesq.com/>



## NEWTOWN PARK UPDATES

Newtown Park is being made ready as a FIFA Women's World Cup training. Several venue upgrades will happen at the facility over the next 9 months. Pleasingly there will be an improved facility with this investment into the park. Major changes likely to happen are installation of lights, upgrades to changing room facilities, and the Turf and surrounds of the main arena and number # 2 field. There may need to be some flexibility on use at times this summer, so we ask athletes and coaches to respect ongoing work and our relationship with Football and the Council with the outcome being an improved facility.

**KEY HOLDERS** - The new locking system for the pedestrian gate at Newtown Park is now operational. This requires all key holders to **swap their old access keys for the new electronic fob**. Please swap your old keys at Newtown Depot (located behind Newtown Park), 113 Russell Terrace, Newtown. Keys can be collected between the hours of 8am – 3:30pm. Key holders have until **1 August** to swap their keys for the electronic swipe fob. WCC have opened the gate for free access **then**. After this date the gate will be locked and will likely only be accessible using issued electronic fobs.

