

TRANS TASMAN CHALLENGE

AUCKLAND - SUNDAY 14TH JANUARY 2018

INFORMATION PACK No.1

Please read carefully to avoid misunderstanding

To enable those considering taking part in the 2018 Trans Tasman Challenge to make holiday and financial arrangements, the following is a summary of important aspects of the Tour, however please be aware these are only a guide at this stage.

We also outline the methods of selection for positions in the team, training responsibilities and important dates in preparation for Challenge Day.

In order to make the event a success, an enjoyable experience for all, and to ensure the safety of the athletes throughout the day we ask that you take particular notice of the rules under which we will operate.

Dates:

- Athletes are expected to be available for Ribbon Days and social events prior to the Challenge Day. Athletes should be available in Auckland between 11th – 14th January 2018 inclusive.

The Team:

- A team of up to 100 athletes may be selected (25 from each age group). A small number of reserves may also be selected.
- Children aged 10 or 11 on 1st October 2017 are eligible for selection.
- Selection will be based on performances at the official trial (see later for details).
- The cost will include a full team uniform, competitor's medal and team photograph.

Cost

\$220.00 includes \$10 non-refundable trial fee.

Payment

Full payment must be paid to the Treasurer on or before the day the team is announced - Sunday 19th November 2017. Failure to make payment on time may result in the athlete being excluded from the team. It is recommended that you make full payment at time of trial which will be refunded should your athlete be unsuccessful.

Selection Trials

With the Colgate Games being held in Auckland the weekend before, it is expected that this will be a highly competitive team. There will be two trials held in the North Island. Athletes and their families may choose which one to attend however attendance at one or other of these trials is compulsory.

- **Trial one:** Sunday 5th November 2017 from 10:00am at Manawatu Community Athletics Track, Palmerston North for lower North Island athletes.
- **Trial two:** Saturday 18th November 2017 from 8.30am at Towers Track, Mt Smart Stadium for upper North Island athletes.

Failure to attend an official trial will result in exclusion from selection. Athletes who are not serious about selection are encouraged to stay away from the trial events. It is disappointing for athletes to miss out on the team because someone who has no intention of competing is selected in their place.

Athletes must compete in a minimum of four events at trial, including at least one track event and one field event. This is because the Trans Tasman competition includes both track and field relays. It is likely that almost all

athletes will compete in one relay event in addition to the individual events they are selected for.

The selectors will base their decisions on the results of these trials; however they reserve the right to consider any significant results from outside events. The selectors will make their decisions based on team composition and Challenge Cup rules.

Athletes **MUST** trial in a minimum of 4 events.

An application form for the trials is included in this pack. This must be received by the Secretary together with a non-refundable trial fee of \$10.00 before your trial commences.

The team will be announced on Sunday 19th November at midday.

Warm up Meets

Given the early season trial dates Athletics Auckland are providing other opportunities for athletes to gather data relating to performance.

Saturday 14th October commencing at 10am at Mt Smart Stadium and **Saturday 28th October** commencing at 10am at Pakuranga Athletics club. A programme of events for each day is available on the Athletics Auckland website.

Athletes should also consider attending Centre ribbon days in order to improve their trial performances. Details are available on your Centre websites.

Uniform

Athletes seeking selection for the team will be measured for their uniform on the trial days and uniform issued to those selected the day the team photo is taken. Samples will be available to try on. It is important that you are accurately fitted as there will be no opportunity after issue to change uniform sizes. All items of uniform must be clearly marked with the athlete's name and allocated number. The executive will take no responsibility for lost or stolen items. Replacement items of uniform will not be available.

Take Out an Aussie Day – Friday 12th January 2018

This is usually a highlight of the tour for most children. The children are paired up with an Australian athlete and host them for the day. This often leads to lasting friendships especially where the athletes compete for two years and the same children can host their new friend in Australia.

If you are not happy to participate in Take Out an Aussie Day you should not trial for a place in the team as this is a compulsory part of the challenge experience for athletes based in the Auckland /Waikato area.

Trans Tasman Carnival

Thursday 11th January 2018, Mt Smart Stadium, Penrose – it is expected that most members of the Trans-Tasman team will make themselves available for this meet.

All athletes **MUST** be in Auckland from 12 midday, Saturday 13th January until completion of event at @ 7pm on Sunday 14th January 2018. All travel and accommodation expenses for this weekend are the responsibility of the athlete and their family.

For further information: Please contact any of the Executive Committee:

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Trial Nomination Form

Nominations close at 8.30am on trial day. Nominated athletes must be aged 10 or 11 years as at 1 October 2017.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Details of Athlete wishing to trial:

First Names: _____

Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Male / Female

Address: _____

Phone (Home): _____

Phone (Mobile): _____

Email 1: _____

Email 2: _____

(email is our main form of communication – please supply home and work emails if applicable)

Athletic Club _____

Age at 1st October 2017 _____

Please attach a photocopy of photo page of birth certificate OR passport. Proof of age will be required in order for athlete to trial.

SPECIAL CUSTODY CONDITIONS

Any Family Law, AVOs or other relevant Court Order (if applicable)

Trans Tasman Trial Entry Form

My child wishes to compete in the selection trial to be held at:

Manawatu Community Athletics Track, Palmerston North on **Sunday 5th November 2017** commencing at 10am

Mt Smart Stadium on **Saturday 18th November 2017** commencing at 8.30am

Please indicate which trial you will be attending

Selectors will be looking for all round versatility, and athletes will be selected in no more than four events, and maybe a relay. Athletes may compete in no more than 5 events but at least 4 events on the trial day. Children can trial in 2 track & 3 field or 3 track & 2 field or 2 track & 2 field.

The selectors reserve the right to make the final decision on events to suit the best team mix. It is in the athletes' best interest to compete in at least 4 events including at least 1 track and 1 field.

Please indicate which events you wish to be considered in:

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|--------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 100m | <input type="checkbox"/> | Long Jump |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 200m | <input type="checkbox"/> | Shot Put |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 400m | <input type="checkbox"/> | High Jump |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 800m | <input type="checkbox"/> | Discus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1500m | | |

TRANS TASMAN UNIFORM

All children attending the trial will be required to be fitted / measured for all items of the tour uniform pending selection.

PARENT / CAREGIVER DECLARATION

Should the necessity arise for medical attention for my child, authority is hereby given for the Tour Management to use their discretion to arrange same on my behalf.

I enclose cash / cheque for **\$10 being the non refundable trial fee**. I agree to make all future payments in full and on time should my child be successful in securing a place in the team.

I agree that my child will abide by the rules of the team and act on instruction from the team officials at all times.

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

To compete at the trials, all athletes must be in full club uniform with Colgate age patch sewn on front of singlet

All completed forms with accompanying **\$10 trial fee**, must be received by the Tour Secretary prior to trialing.

Nominations cannot be sent by fax / email as \$10 must accompany the trial form.

Forms can be posted to:

The Secretary, Trans Tasman Tour
9 Oriana Avenue
Lynfield, Auckland 1042

- Note:**
- 1. The Trial Fee of \$10.00 must accompany this form. (Cheque to be made out to Athletics Auckland Children's Tour).**
 - 2. A copy of child's Passport or Birth Certificate MUST be produced with this form.**
 - 3. Medical Form and Take out an Aussie form should be included with this nomination.**
 - 4. Children are eligible if aged 10 or 11 on 1st October 2017**

Official Use Only: Passport or Birth Certificate sighted: _____ YES / NO

TRANS TASMAN CHALLENGE MEDICAL FORM

Name of Child: _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

A. MEDICAL (please circle relevant answer)

My child has had an anti-tetanus injection within the last 5 years. **YES / NO**

If your child suffers from one of the following conditions, please circle and give us details below. (additional information may be given on a separate piece of paper)

Epilepsy	Joint, back or neck pain	Asthma
Heart conditions	Diabetes	Animal stings
Medication allergies	Blood noses	

If your child has to take any medication, please mark these clearly with name and exact dosage and inform us below. Children on regular medication should try and have these packaged in medico blister packs for easy administration. You are welcome to provide us with a typed page of your child's medical history outlining anything we should be aware of.

Please list all medicine / pills that will be required on Challenge Day, with all necessary details of dosage and frequency (including epilepsy medications, insulin, medication if allergic to stings, pain relievers, etc)

This medication is for the treatment of: _____

Parent's signature: _____

Please indicate any other information about your child that we need to be aware of. (Place confidential information in a sealed envelope if necessary.)

B. EMERGENCY

In the event of an emergency the following people can be contacted.

Name: _____ Relationship to family: _____

Home phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Alternative (Name): _____ Relationship to family: _____

Home phone: _____ Mobile: _____

C. RISK DISCLOSURE

I approve of my child taking part in the Trans Tasman Challenge in Auckland, January 14th 2018 and, in the event of illness or injury, I authorise the obtaining of such medical assistance as may be required.

To the best of my knowledge my child has not been in contact with any infectious disease in the last four weeks, and has no disability, nor is suffering from any complaint likely to prove detrimental to him / herself or others while participating in this team.

Due to the nature of the activities offered on tour risks are involved. Although all practical measures have been taken to manage risks, incidents may occur.

Name of Parent / Guardian: _____

I have read and understood the above information.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

PICK UP AN AUSSIE DAY

Friday 12th January 2018

We would ask that all families host one or more of the New South Wales athletes. This is a compulsory requirement of all Auckland and Waikato based selected athletes.

You will be required to pick them up from Sacred Heart College, West Tamaki Road, St Heliers at 9.00am and entertain them for the day. No doubt having just arrived in New Zealand most of them would love to see a little of Auckland and New Zealand family life. They will need to be returned to Sacred Heart College (having been given dinner) by 7.00pm in time for the disco which follows at 7.30pm. All the Auckland team and their families are invited to stay for the disco. NB There is a separate hospitality room for adults. Club members may like to get together and organise a BBQ or something similar for all their guests.

As part of their tour the NSW team visits Kelly Tarltons, Waiwera Hot Pools, Rainbows End and the Mangere Polynesian Centre. Their Tour Management would appreciate if you do not include these in your day out.

For those children who went to Australia with last year's team, if you would like to host the child/family that hosted you, make sure you tell us on the form below.

This has always been a most enjoyable day for all concerned and has resulted in some lasting friendships. Your help is much appreciated. Please complete this form and return it with your trial nomination.

TAKE OUT AN AUSSIE DAY – Friday 12th January 2018

We can host _____ (number of children)

My host in 2017 was _____

Print Name: _____ Mobile number: _____