



**2022 – 2023**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**Athletics Waikato-Bay of Plenty Inc.**

## **78<sup>th</sup> Annual Report and Financial Statement of Athletics Waikato-Bay of Plenty**

**LIFE MEMBERS:** DM Taylor EA Taylor M Oman K Diprose B Addison  
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**PRESIDENT:** Andrew Langman

**BOARD:** Sally Kerr Thomas Refoy-Butler Tony Rogers  
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### **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

**Track and Field:** Kevin Bradley

**Road and Cross Country:** Malcolm Taylor

**Children's:** Sandra Murray

**Officials:** Heather O'Hagan

**Coaching:** Criss Strange

**Masters:** Murray Clarkson

**WBOP Secondary Schools:** John Tylden

**Coach Force Bay of Plenty Development Officer:** Kerry Hill

**Financial Reviewer:** Johnston Associates

**Centre Manager:** Dianne Rodger

## **REPORTS**

### **Board Chair**

Kia Ora Koutou,

Welcome to the Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty AGM for the 2022/23 year.

#### **The Season**

It has been pleasing to have a stronger season over all aspects of our sport. In the 22/23 year we could hold an almost full calendar of events, rebuild our membership to precovid levels and also return a surplus which gives more options moving forward.

There were many bright spots, and the accompanying reports highlight many of these. A few things include the very successful 16/18 IP Competition, the Porritt Classic, the Like a Girl Day, the successful Childrens Champs and Relay Day and some wonderful elite performances and records.

Our financial report shows a surplus for the year to 31 May 2023. After a loss last year this is reassuring and a result of the increased levies, reduction in costs whilst we faced reduced income, two Rotorua marathons being held in the one financial year, and Dianne's success in funding applications.

We are still to see the result of the levy increases from April 2023 and how clubs and members register in the new membership model.

#### **Our AWBOP People**

Dianne has been working extremely hard and doing a wonderful job. She has been supported by Kerry Hill in the Bay of Plenty – and we are about to recruit for a Development and Events Coordinator in the Waikato. Our strategic day in June helped consolidate thinking around our needs.

Three board members end their terms in August this year – we have been lucky to have Tony Rogers, Thomas Refoy-Butler, and Ashleigh Sando on the board. Thank you to them all for their commitment, wisdom, and support over the last three years – as an inaugural board we have faced some challenges but have made progress in the areas of structure, rebuilding after Covid and the new board can start with a solid foundation. Andrew Langman has one more year as President, and Ben Kennedy was appointed to the board earlier this year. I remain on the board as an elected board member.

Heather O'Hagan, who has been a faithful servant of athletics for 30 years is stepping down from her responsibilities. Heather is one of the most qualified and respected officials in New Zealand and has also coordinated and led our officials training in the region. She leaves us to focus on her business and we thank her for her service and commitment to officials. Her skills are not replaceable and as with all volunteers, the behind-the-scenes effort has been tremendous. Thank you, Heather, for all you have done for athletics.

Sandra Murray has stepped down as Chairperson of the Childrens Committee – but luckily, we will see her around helping at events. Sandra has been a wise knowledgeable advocate for children and has worked to make sure we run a child centred programme. Teresa Mumby and Sarah Watson have stepped forward to help run the group, so we welcome them to their new positions.

Loloma Foster was awarded a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to race walking in the King's Birthday Honours in June. A well-deserved award for the many years of input into the sport of athletics not only as a competitor but also as a valued administrator and official for our Centre and at national level.

We thank all our volunteers – and there are many. From officials, coaches, club leaders, committees and the board, athletics relies heavily on voluntary assistance. John Tylden has done a wonderful job leading the Secondary Schools programme – which has gone very well in 2023. There are many other people who have been instrumental to a strong season – the Operations Committee have been so committed and hard working.

We do face a genuine shortage of officials across our region. The ramifications of this might include a reduced calendar of events, the inability to offer some events or being unable to ratify records. It could also mean running events in a different way, so we need less officials. There will be varying opinions about all these options – but we also need to be realistic that the volunteer base is falling across all sports.

## **Obituaries**

### **Mhyre Oman**

Highly respected and long-standing administrator and official Mhyre Oman of Hamilton passed away on Monday 3 July 2023, aged 82.

Her career in athletics spanned nearly 50 years, from being involved as a committee member and President of the Frankton Athletic Club in the 1970's to the Hamilton City Hawks Club and then involvement with Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty. Mhyre was secretary of the Centre from 1983 to 2005, which included 19 years as Secretary / Treasurer, received a service award in 1990, was president in 1991 and was made a life member in 1999. She managed Waikato teams to national championships for 15 years.

Mhyre was on the former council of Athletics New Zealand from 1988 to 1996, received the long service award in 1992, the merit award in 2001, outstanding contribution to sport award in 2005, vice-president of Athletics New Zealand in 2006 and president in 2007. Mhyre was honoured with life membership in 2016. She went on to the Awards Committee in 2017 and made convenor of the committee in 2020. In 1992 Mhyre was the assistant manager of the New Zealand team to the Ekiden road relay in Chiba Japan. As an official, Mhyre has been a member of the Official's Association since its inception. She has been a Centre official for 43 years as a starter, in photo timing and as meeting secretary in charge of results.

Her contribution to Athletics New Zealand as an official has been outstanding, involved with entries to national championships and compiling of the results over the duration of the championships. She also was a member of the entries and results at the 2001 World Veteran Championships in Brisbane. She was a control room official at the 1990 Auckland Commonwealth Games and later attended an Oceania officials' course in Canberra in 1992.

Mhyre will be sadly missed, especially every Saturday at Centre Open meetings during the summer and championship events in the Waikato Bay of Plenty. The national championships won't be the same with the ever helpful and friendly Mhyre no longer in the control room.

## **Marcia Petley, MNZM**

Frankton Athletic and Harrier Club Life Member, Marcia Petley sadly passed away overnight in Hamilton at the wonderful aged of 93. Marcia holds many NZ Masters records over 60m, 100m, 200m, 400m, Hammer and Weight Throw, plus NZMA Indoor Records for W90 over 60m, 200m and Weight Throw.

Marcia was also a regular competitor at Oceania and World Championships over many years.

At the age of 90 Marcia won four medals from the 2019 World Masters Indoor Athletics Championships in Torun, Poland, winning gold in the 60m sprint, the 200m run, the weight throw and the hammer throw.

As a true testament to her dedication to the sport, Marcia received the Insignia of a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to athletics 2015.

Marcia has been a true inspiration for athletics at club, centre, national and world level.

## **Facilities**

Porritt Stadium track replacement is scheduled for 4 September- 31 January 2024 which means tweaks to the summer programme for the first part of the season. Juggling with FIFA over recent months has had some challenges in the Waikato. There are still proposals on the table for the Tauranga Domain. We need to advocate for our sport and our facilities that are also used by other sports for their training.

## **Club Connect and Athletics NZ**

ANZ will be running Club Connect in Palmerston North in September 2023, and we encourage as many clubs and people as possible to attend this event held in conjunction with the NZ Road Race Championships.

Thanks for being part of the AWBOP community, and for your support and assistance over the past 12 months.

Nga Mihi

Sally Kerr

Chairperson of the Board

## **Track and Field**

The 2022-23 season was largely back to normal after the previous season's interruptions. The track patch-up at Porritt Stadium in the Spring took less time than anticipated, and the Porritt Classic was restored to its usual spot in February. School and Centre championships resumed as normal. It may be highlighted elsewhere, but the lack of officials continues to be an ongoing challenge.

Participation levels at weekly Senior competitions are also comparatively low and this is reflective of the drop-off in interest in athletics that starts midway through the children's age groups and continues into adolescence. While athletics is not alone in this regard, there is the opportunity, and in fact need, for innovation and creative thinking to make the sport a more attractive activity to be part of. There are so many team sport alternatives for young people to participate in, that youth

athletics in particular, could/should be looking at learning from examples of a team perspective. The lack of interest and coaching expertise among secondary school teachers in general is also a major obstacle to participation in the sport. Perhaps the Centre could look to fund a suitably qualified person to actively coach/teach/talent ID athletics in the region's high schools.

Athletics New Zealand's addition of an U16 grade at the NZ Championships (designed to keep athletes in the sport after Grade 14?), did not garner much interest in WBOP with only four athletes – 2 male, 2 female – competing. Three of those medaled.

### **NZ Senior, U20, U18, & U16 Championships, Wellington.**

While most age groups had similar results to the previous year, the U18 Women were particularly successful with Teeka Randell, Mia De Jager, Sophie Hancock, and Losaline Lose being multi medalists. Boh Ritchie was also impressive winning the 1500m. The relay teams won both their events. The Senior Women also improved their medal count and were dominant in the field events winning four titles: Alice Taylor (HJ), Mariah Ririnui (LJ), Tatiana Kaumoana (DT) and Tori Peeters (JT).

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
Senior Women	6	9
U20 “	5	2
U18 “	8	15 + 4x100, 4x400 relays
U16 “	-	2
Senior Men	4	3
U20 “	2	4
U18 “	4	3
U16 “	-	3
Para Women	3	5
Para Men	3	4

**World Championship Selections:** Sam Tanner plus Tori Peeters & Julian Oakley (provisional). Athletics NZ confirmed on 6 August that Sam Tanner and Tori Peeters were in the final team.

### **Post Season Overseas Performances:**

Sam Tanner 3.31.24 (PB) 1500m in Poland. Ranks him 3rd on the NZ all-time list.

Tori Peeters 63.26 Javelin in Japan. NZ Record

Danielle Aitchison 1<sup>st</sup> 200m (Oceania R) 2<sup>nd</sup> 100; Lisa Adams 1<sup>st</sup> Shot Put (R), at the World Para Championships in Paris.

Kevin Bradley

## **Road and Cross Country**

Waikato BOP Road Running Championships were held at Cambridge on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2022. These were based at Architectural Glass Products site which did not require a traffic management plan. There were 80 entries with 69 registered athletes and 11 nonregistered. 66 completed the Championships. It was a fast flat course.

Bridget Deverall won the Women's 50-59 New Zealand Mountain Race title held at Queenstown while Michael Sutton sixth in the Senior Men resulted in his selection for the World Mountain Racing Championships to be held in Thailand in November 2022.

Several of the Centres Secondary School athletes contested the Australian Cross Country Championships in Adelaide. Elliott Pugh won the Mens U17 6km with Boh Ritchie the Girls U16 race.

A small team travelled to Upper Hutt for the New Zealand Road Running & Walking Championships with Boh Ritchie winning the Women U20 title.

AIMS Games was held at Tauranga with the cross country at Waipuna Park. Whilst numbers were down the event was very successful.

Redwoods Forest Relay was held 11<sup>th</sup> September 2022 with approximately 53 teams ranging from Primary School age to Masters catering for walkers and runners. Very disappointing particularly with the lack of competitive teams.

Two major events held in Waikato Bay of Plenty in September and October 2022 along with Red Stag Forest Relay.

Rotorua Marathon was held on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022 with 477 runners and 73 walkers completing the full marathon with Michael Voss (Lake City) winning the event for the third time. With associated events Half Marathon (704) 10km (611) and 5km 268 a total of 2133 completed their events. Sixteen AWBOP Championship medals were awarded to Waikato Bay of Plenty registered athletes. The event doubled as the New Zealand Masters Marathon Championship.

Cambridge Half Marathon was held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2022. 156 completed the half marathon with 10km (139), 5km (65) and 2km Kids Dash (54) taking the total number of finishers to 414. The Half Marathon run doubled as the New Zealand Championships. Veronica Maree 1<sup>st</sup> W40-44, Cameron Mumby 3<sup>rd</sup> MM45-49, Dean Chiplin 2<sup>nd</sup> MM50-54, Peter Caudwell 1<sup>st</sup>, Grant Kobus 3<sup>rd</sup> MM55-60, Kevin Lowe 1<sup>st</sup> MM60-64, Gavin Smith 1<sup>st</sup> MM65-69, Fred Needham 3<sup>rd</sup> MM70-74, Rod Gill MM75-79 1<sup>st</sup>, Michael Voss 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ben Hennessy 3<sup>rd</sup> Senior Men.

October 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 the New Zealand Road Relay was held at Bottle Creek, Christchurch with ten teams from the Waikato Bay of Plenty being six from Hamilton City Hawks, and two each from Cambridge and Lake City. with the best placing being Hamilton City Hawks Masters Women over 35 with a placing of fourth.

Michael Sutton (Tauranga) finished 44<sup>th</sup> in the World Mountain Running Championships held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

Tois Challenge 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022 had 369 individuals and teams complete the event being 234 individual runners and 28 running teams, 99 individual walkers and 8 walking teams.

The 24 Hour at North Shore by Sri Chinmoy 12<sup>th</sup> November 2022 - Dawn Tuffery 1<sup>st</sup> Overall and 1<sup>st</sup> MW40-44, Sue Hunter 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall and 3<sup>rd</sup> MW40-44. Gary Wilson 1<sup>st</sup> MM60-64.

King & Queen of Mount Maunganui 26<sup>th</sup> December 2022 had 110 complete the event with 83 in the King & Queen and 27 in the Junior Mountain Race.

World Cross Country Championships Bathurst Australia 18<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Sam Tanner was a member of the New Zealand 4-person relay team that finished 10<sup>th</sup>. Individual races: WU20 Boh Ritchie 41<sup>st</sup>, MU20 Matt Hill 38<sup>th</sup>, Elliott Pugh 39<sup>th</sup>, Senior Women Kerry White 65<sup>th</sup>, Senior Men Julian Oakley 64<sup>th</sup>.

New Zealand Mountain Race Championships, Mauao, Mount Maunganui 18<sup>th</sup> March. 53 entries. Gold: Rach Wright MW35-39, Carl Fischer MM35-39, Matt Parsonage MM40-45, Lauren Shelly MW

45-49, Brad Dixon MM45-49, Peter Caudwell MM55-59. Silver: Jenni Johnson MW45-49, Sarah Caudwell MW55-59, Michael Sutton Senior Men. Bronze: Kerry White Senior Women.

Te Awamutu Golf Course Fun Run 15<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Always a well run event by Te Awamutu Athletics Club. 166 entries many on the day. Well marked and marshalled. Run on fine day with firm ground. Great Spot Prizes.

New Zealand Mile Championship 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

A new event with a Community Mile, Women's Mile, and an Open Men's Mile. Run in conjunction with the Red Stag Marathon and associated events. The event was held in darkness with poor lighting and light drizzle at times. Chip timing was the approved timing system and did not work effectively due to poor communication with the Timing Team. I organized officials and marshals along with back up timing. Only the Men's Open Mile was timed effectively by the timing team. From our backup timing we managed to provide times for the Community Mile and the Women's Mile. The Chip Timing was only approved days before the event. A better course that has more lighting would benefit both athletes and officials. 57 Participants (9 Community, 20 Women, 28 Men).

Red Stag Marathon 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Run in perfect conditions for a marathon e g light rain at times.

Well run as usual. 882 Entries 85 Walkers. Red Stag Half Marathon 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Another well run event very well supported as part of a Running / Walking weekend of events.

1132 Runners 200 Walkers. Large numbers of participants with over 4500 entries over all events.

Tauranga Open Cross Country 27<sup>th</sup> May 2023

214 finishers. Well run in dry conditions. 53 Late entries. Improved numbers on previous year. Senior numbers very low which is reflected in AWBOP registrations.

World Mountain Race Championships, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023 Austria. Michael Sutton finished 87<sup>th</sup>.

New Zealand Secondary School Cross Country 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023 Palmerston North; Year 9 Boys Sam Ruthe 1<sup>st</sup>, Junior Boys Corban Holmes 3<sup>rd</sup>, Senior Girls Boh Ritchie 2<sup>nd</sup>, Senior Boys Elliott Pugh 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Regional Relay Waikato Bay of Plenty Waikato Bay of Plenty 1<sup>st</sup> Year 9 Boys, 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Girls, 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Boys and 2<sup>nd</sup> Senior Boys.

2023 New Zealand Half Marathon Championships were held in Wellington with Michael Voss Senior Men 1<sup>st</sup>, Deb Fuller 2<sup>nd</sup> Senior Women and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.

North Island Cross Country Championships-Taupo 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023. As usual very well run event with 533 entries, 32 late entries. Increase of over 100 more entries up from 2022.

Waikato Cross Country Championships 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023 was held on old Narrows Golf Course hosted by Cambridge Harrier Club assisted by AWBOP Centre Manager Dianne Rodger and her team. 120 entries up on 91 for 2022 event. 112 finished. Braden Neal ran the automatic timing with Loloma Foster observing with the plan for her to learn the system, with backup timing by Ray Wakeford and other duties shared around. Set Up and Pack Up went very well. The event was run very well with some adjustments on the day and some for the future suggested, but very well done by Cambridge Harriers.

New Zealand Cross Country Championships and New Zealand Club Relay Championships Taupo 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023 respectively. 520 entered the individual Championships on Saturday with 50 teams of 4 (2 Females & 2 Males) entered in the Club Cross Country Relay Championships. The event was a resounding success organization wise with some learnings from last year. It was a credit to Taupo Harriers led by Noel Bennett, Jason Cameron leading the Athletics New Zealand team and Dianne Rodger leading the Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty team.



Glenys Kroon (Tauranga) took on the role of Waikato Bay of Plenty team manager on the day as our previous team managers Dianne Rodger and Steve Rees Jones were committed to organization or running or supporting their family. Glenys had the pleasure of seeing her daughter Anneke Arlidge win the Senior Women's title and lead her North Shore Bays team to victory in the New Zealand Cross Country Club Relay while Steve won his Masters Men 45-49 race which was amongst many excellent performances from Waikato Bay of Plenty. Waikato Bay of Plenty individual medalists were Gold: Ben Ruthe MM40-44, Steve Rees-Jones MM49-49, Michael Pugh MM50-54, Bruce Edwards MM60-64, Dennis Litt MM70-74, Trevor Ogilvie MM75-79, Sarah Gardner MW35-39. Silver: Sam Ruthe BU16, Fred Needham MM75-79, Lauren Shelley MW45-49. Boh Ritchie WU20. Bronze: Jack Stirling BU14, Jake Lomas BU16, Michael Peck MM55-59, Vicki Rees Jones MW45-49. Team Gold: MM65-69, MM50-64, WU20. Team Silver: MU18. Team Bronze: MM35-49. Club Relay Gold: Tauranga U18 and Tauranga U20. Club Relay Silver: Tauranga U16. Club Relay Bronze: Lake City Masters 50+.

Noel Bennett (Taupo Harriers) Athletics New Zealand Award for Services to Cross Country.

The following athletes from Hamilton City Hawks have been selected for **the 2023 IAU 24HR World Championships to be held in Chinese Taipei 2-3 December** - Carol Robertson, Sue Hunter, and Dawn Tuffery.

**2023 World Athletics Road Running Championships to be held** in Riga, Latvia on 1 October – WBOP athletes selected -Senior Men: Half Marathon - Michael Voss Lake City Athletics Club; Senior Women: Half Marathon – Katherine Camp – Te Awamutu Club.

A big thank you to clubs, administrators, officials, and marshals that made events happen for our athletes.

Malcolm Taylor

## **Officials**

### Officials Education

An advanced throws course was held at Tauranga in July, with one B grade aiming for A, 2 C grades aiming for B, 3 locals for refresher, 2 from Auckland for a refresher and one from Auckland aiming for B. Brenda Davis achieved Throws A, Ruth Tuiraviravi and Michell Bitcheno Throws B. Well done to you all.

On 18<sup>th</sup> September I held a track officials session at Porritt before the track was closed for repairs. 4 new officials from Fairfield achieved Track C, Charles Annals Track A. Alan McDonald attended as a refresher looking towards sitting Track A, and one Track C as a refresher.

A practical introduction to officiating session was planned for Whakatane but was cancelled due to lack of interest. The damage to the Whakatane Club track the week before did not help here.

A Jumps and Throws session planned for Tauranga 6<sup>th</sup> November attracted no interest at all.

A Throws session at Cambridge on 13<sup>th</sup> November had only one person express interest and was cancelled.

A jumps session planned for Cambridge on 27<sup>th</sup> November was attended by 3 members of the Knowles family, and they came to Paeroa as I was unwell at the time. All 3 passed Jumps C.

Since the database update last October, I have not been able to access the officials listings. Trevor Spittle asked for all results as he could add them- list was supplied in February. I hope that they are all up to date on the database.

I have no idea if all the updates as to people's involvement sent to Trevor last year were acted upon. About 40% of the WBOP officials on the database were not active at that point.

#### Officials Co-ordination for Track and Field competitions

With Porritt Stadium being unavailable for some weeks at the start of the season our competitions were a bit disrupted again. A small number of regulars attended competitions at Tauranga before Christmas.

Other issues involved the inability to use the photo finish at Porritt due to scaffolding blocking the camera, and the camera later being stolen. Thank you to Alan McDonald for his efforts keeping a system running, and to Auckland for the loan of equipment. Things were more normal after Christmas!

A small but keen group of officials and a large number of volunteers fronted up for the Special Olympics Summer Games athletics competition in December. Amazing what you can do with a dedicated group of people!

The Porritt Classic went ahead this year. Good to see all our friends from Auckland and further afield assisting on the day.

The Centre Secondary School events took place this year, with Zones held at Tauranga, Porritt, Te Awamutu and Paeroa, with the Champs on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Thank you to all those who assisted with these competitions.

An ever-smaller number of WBOP officials travelled to Wellington for the national Track and Field Champs in March. The added U16 grade and 4 day programme made things interesting at times.

With the track at Porritt Stadium to be replaced starting in September, we will once again be faced with disruption to WBOP competitions next season. Hopefully it will all go well. The uncertainty of the future of the Tauranga Domain track is a concern, and the change is being resisted by a dedicated group of Tauranga people.

The end of the season saw the departure of Michelle Bitcheno to Australia- thank you Michelle for your assistance at throws.

I decided after the ANZ Track and Field Champs that I would not continue officiating at any level and will also not continue as the Centre's Official's Educator. To all those I have met over the years- thank you for your involvement.

The death of Mhyre Oman after suffering a stroke caused great sadness among the WBOP people, as well as nationally. She will be sadly missed. Rest in peace Mhyre. Thank you for all the years of service.

Heather O'Hagan  
WBOP Official's Educator

## **Coaching**

- It was difficult trying to get the wider group of regional coaches physically together despite establishing a data base of 45 active coaches. Minimal email communication started but effort was made across the season to communicate one on one whenever possible, to try and establish what their ideal involvements and requirements were, to be able to deliver to their best.
- Porritt Classic saw 42 carded coaches attend this year (down 20) attending and sharing. (a number of Auckland coaches sent apologies as they prepared for the in-coming cyclone)
- Sunday – post Classic work shops
  - Hurdles (Criss and Jill Morrison (Chch), Javelin (at Avantidrome, Debbie Strange), Long Jump (Terry Lomax ANZ). 9 coaches, 12 parents, 20 athletes took part – excellent coach exchanges and desire to have more sessions associated with Classics and other meetings throughout the country.
  - More athletes and coaches from Auckland would normally have attended.
- Requests for school Track and Field coaching of athletes is growing - teachers involved and coached where we could. Alan McDonald, Criss Strange, Charlie Roil ran sessions in Tokoroa, Te Awamutu, Maeroa Intermediate.
- Kerry Hill continued to run training camps and encourage coaches in the wider BOP region.
- As a result of Waikato-BOP working together at regional and North Island championships a number of requests have come in for coaching – Rotorua, Tokoroa, Hamilton specifically. Criss will coordinate these and try to involve as many coaches as he can. While encouraging locals to become Accredited or Community Coaches.
- Most clubs will be trying to recruit coaches over the winter, encouraging engagement with ANZ and AWBOP initiatives as well as their club as well as encouraging as many as possible to become Accredited or Community Coaches.
- A new initiative since the end of the summer season, spearheaded by Debbie Strange, is the Waikato Youth Squad which aims to pull selected athletes and their coaches together over a 10-month period for education and support purposes and this is to be eventually extended into BOP. 40 athletes and 10 coaches have engaged in the startup program.

Criss Strange

## **CoachForce**



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### **COACHFORCE ATHLETICS, Bay of Plenty**

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##### **August 2022:**

- Conducted Run Jump Throw Course for Pahoia school & area, 9 coaches
- Attended WBOP Centre AGM

- Mentored Peter Blackwood, Whakatane on appropriate volumes for his distance squad, and reviewed their projected competition plan for early summer.
- Completed survey for Rotorua City Council on sports facilities usage.
- Conducted sprints clinic for coaches (2 from Tauranga, 1 from Rotorua), with supporting notes
- Attended “BOP Sport Season Design” at Sport BOP – all sports present
- Linked throws enthusiast, Felicity Cook, with a coach (Kirsten Hellier)
- Connected Stein family (ex Sth Africa) with a coach via Jane Campion of Bethlehem College.
- Linked Colgate Scholarship winner, 2022, Jack Marra, with a S&C coach in Rotorua – and prepared the weights schedule for that trainer
- Met with John Bowden re coaching two of his athletes for hurdling (one later won senior NZ steeplechase tile)
- Hosted eight athletes to a sprint camp weekend alongside 15 Tauranga athletes, 1 from Chch, 7 from Auckland.

### **September 2022:**

- Assisted with preparations for Athletics Tauranga’s prizegiving, the first in over ten years – and hosted a Q&A with Sam Tanner & Craig Kirkwood
- Completed nominations for Sport BOP Awards, and Adams Centre Awards (Univ. of Waik. High Performance Centre) – Craig Kirkwood, Sam Tanner, Jaxon Wooley, Elliott Pugh, Hayden Wilde (in conjunction with triathlon).
- Conducted Run Jump Throw course for Awakeri School & area, 16 coaches
- Completed a survey for the WBEET program at Sport BOP, run by Cameron Grieve, essentially, a version of talent I.D.
- Met with Katrina Anderson, Sport BOP’s Eastern contact, for promoting RJT courses.
- Attended the Athletics NZ AGM in Upper Hutt

### **October 2022:**

- Conducted Run Jump Throw courses:
  - Papamoa Club 24 coaches & Morrinsville Club 6 coaches, same day
  - Apanui school, Whakatane 13 coaches; Omaramutu school, Opotiki 6 coaches; Allandale school, Whakatane 25 coaches; Taneatua 8 coaches
- Held planning meeting with Kawerau club, resurrecting their activities and now underway.
- Met with Kevin Bradley & Mariah Ririnui re new hurdles specifications on behalf of Athletics NZ’s Youth Group
- Conducted a jumps clinic in Tauranga, 4 coaches from Tauranga, 1 from Rotorua
- Along with two from Athletics Tauranga’s committee, met with two from Tauranga Millennium Track Trust re a potential joint voice to council on the track relocation proposal.
- Met with Craig Kirkwood re coaching, award nominations, and Aotearoa Relays
- Connected with Athletics Taupo re their new secretary
- Mentored Tauranga coaches, Wayne Fausett & Bailey Cotton, on sprints & hurdles
- Updated Hamish Meacheam, Ath NZ, re Tauranga Domain track developments

- Participated in Teams meeting with Sport BOP's Ryan & Rochelle, plus Di Rodger, re Rotorua facilities

### **November 2022:**

- Along with Athletics Tauranga committee members Bruce Cortesi and Ruth Tuiraviravi, met with Chelsea Brett of Tauranga City Council re their latest work on the possible re-location of three sports currently in the Tauranga Domain precinct
- Organised a javelin clinic in Rotorua, guest lecturer national coach, Debbie Strange, for six coaches/parents and seven athletes from Central, East, and Western Bay, and sourced a variety of javelins for this
- Held a Balance is Better meeting with three staff from BOP Rugby (seniors, women, development squads); also met with Natasha Kahle re introducing her daughter, in Volcanix rugby team, to athletics over summer
- Planning session with Adam Garner of Tauranga Boys College re their potential relay squads for NZ Secondary Schools
- Mentoring at Kawerau Club re their programming and activities as they re-establish the club
- Assisted officiating at the Eastern BOP Primary Champs in Whakatane and advising on how to overcome grass surface issues following the damage done during a rugby league tournament held in heavy rain. Oversaw the high jumps and videoed instances that are useful for future discussion with local Principals on health and safety
- Assisted with officiating, set up, etc., at the Central Zone Primary Champs in Rotorua, the first time only one Sport BOP was present and organising. Several officiating, equipment, and logistical issues had to be overcome, fortunately with the assistance of Lake City's facilities and gear. I made a review for 2023's planning to cover off with Liz Savage of Sport BOP when preparing this year's edition
- Met with Mariah Ririnui of Athletics NZ Coaching re content of new Level 1 resource for sprints and jumps and took part in Teams Meeting of Athletics NZ Youth Group discussion on new Hurdles proposal
- Did an interview with Justine Whittaker of Whakatane media re Kawerau club re-starting
- Communicated with Ryan Parkes of Sport BOP, Rotorua, re Rotorua athletics facility going forward
- Attended Sport BOP Annual Prizegiving in Rotorua, along with Chair Sally, & Ruth Tuiraviravi – particular successes for athletics : Craig Kirkwood (athletics & triathlon) Coach of the Year, Sam Tanner (finalist for Sportsman of the Year), Athletics Tauranga (finalist for Club of the Year), and Jaxon Woolley (finalist for Para Athlete of the Year). Prepared the nominations for Craig, Sam, Jaxon, & Elliot Pugh (Junior Sportsman of the Year).

### **December 2022:**

- Attended NZ Secondary School Champs, Inglewood, assisting several BOP coaches with their athletes' preparations
- Athletics NZ Masters' Champs in Wellington, assisting BOP athletes, and conducting a Level 1 Sprints Course for Athletics Wellington (Tony Rogers, organiser)
- Prepared and forwarded data on athletics stadiums around the world, and New Zealand, to Chelsea Brett at T.C.C., covering over 30 countries, & our own all-weather 18 tracks.
- Consulted with Bruce Cortesi on the Tauranga Club's Business Plan proposal for track relocation to Council
- Assisted Bruce Gallagher of Australia re assistance our sport can give for the 2023 World Police & Emergency Services Games, to be held in Rotorua
- Assisted two sprints coaches, and middle distance coach, on preparing their Western Bay athletes for their end of summer programmes

- Took part in a Zoom meet re jumps development collaboration with a national jumps coach from Australia

### **January 2023:**

- Attended the following four weekend competitions: Tauranga Twilight, Colgate Games (Wgtn), Cooks Classic (Whanganui), Para grading and competition (Auckland) – assisted athletes and coaches at all of them.

### **February 2023:**

- Attended Capital Classic meet (Wgtn) with athletes & coaches, and provided organisational assistance to meet organiser
- Attended Porritt Classic –dialogue/mentoring with coaches
- Attended (meeting teachers) at Tauranga Boys, Girls athletics champs, also Aquinas College, Mount Maunganui College, Bethlehem College, Papamoa College, John Paul College (Roto), RBHS (Roto), Masters competition in Tauranga
- Two meetings with Kevin Bradley & Mariah Ririnui re our Athletics NZ Youth Advisory Group, specifically for national hurdles specifications.
- Attended NZ Multi Event Champs (Whanganui)
- Conducted two Run Jump Throw sessions for Bellevue Club on club nights
- Researched into timing lights for coaching that have been offered by retiring coach for local clubs to access (under my supervision) if they are found suitable, and the price is manageable
- Had a conversation with old friend, Professor Troels Troelsen of Denmark, re their federation's highly lucrative fund-raising model
- Secured some spot prizes for the NZ Mountain Running champs in Mt Maunganui, April

### **March 2023:**

- Ran the Sports BOP WBEET two days talent ID (athletics group) at Blake Park, Tauranga, for Western Bay primary schools (four class levels, 36 selected children), Sam Tanner assisted
- Met twice, with Athletics Tauranga and Tauranga MTT and Council reps re latest track developments. The key point was that myself, Bruce Cortesi, Malcolm Taylor, Murray Clarkson, will coordinate with Marco of the Council, re a site visit to Baypark. Meanwhile., Marco will also conduct geo-tech testing.
- Attended the following competitions: NZ Champs, Wgtn (four days), WBOP Champs, Western Bay Sec School Champs, WBOP Sec School Champs, Sir Graeme Douglas Meet (Auck)
- Conducted hurdles mentoring for Lake City Club
- Along with other BOP coaches, attended three high level coaching presentations at the NZ Champs in Wgtn
- Met with a local language centre re placement for a Swiss athlete to a coaching group
- Assisted at Athletics NZ Mountain Running Champs, Mt Maunganui, run by the local club

### **April 2023:**

- Had two Balance is Better meetings with Sport BOP staff
- Assisted at Athletics Tauranga Cross Country Open Day
- Attended Nth Island Secondary School T&F Champs, Palmerston North

### **May 2023:**

- Began planning the Run Jump Throw course content and promotions for the Sept-Nov rush period
- Assisted at BOP Secondary School Cross Country Champs
- Met with distance athlete, moved from Christchurch to study in Tauranga, to assist finding a distance coach
- Conducted a speed clinic and mentored a distance coach, sent podcast suggestions
- Along with Bruce Cortesi, was one of the two Athletics Tauranga reps, plus two reps from Tauranga MTT, at two council meetings over the new track proposals

### **June 2023:**

- Hosted Hamish Meacheam, Athletics NZ Community Manager, and his squad for a weekend camp – development strategies and coaching content discussions
- Met with local club coach re planning the coming summer season and potential impacts if the sport is moved from the Domain
- Prepared a coaching survey to distribute to B.O.P. coaches
- Attended the Athletics WBOP Strategic Planning Day in Cambridge

***Kerry Hill***

***Athletics WBOP/Sport BOP CoachForce Officer***

## **Children's**

**Registrations** for the 2022-2023 season show there were 3968 athletes registered from 33 clubs; this is an increase of 572 from last season. This season there was very little disruption from Covid and most clubs were able to continue as they had pre this pandemic. As I said last year in my report, some clubs have made changes to the way their club nights run, which came about from processes they put into place to work through the pandemic.

**Ribbon Days** were held by Whakatane, Bellevue, Fairfield, Te Awamutu and Paeroa. Sadly, Lake City was cancelled due to a concert held on the track, making it unusable for a Ribbon Day. Te Aroha also had to cancel their day due to Cyclone Gabrielle but did hold a twilight meeting on a Friday at the end of their season which was enjoyed by all that attended. They may look at doing something similar again for the next season. Cambridge held their Pentathlon, which as always was well run by the club.

In December we held our **Relay Championships** at Tauranga, where 11 clubs participated. This season we brought in what had been discussed from the AGM in 2021, regarding the 7–8-year-olds relays. This was to ensure ALL parents are aware of what is happening for this age group, and it would be discussed at the managers meeting that there will be discretion for the referee about leniency for the 7–8-year-olds on baton changes. If another team has not been impeded, then there will be no disqualification. All infringements would still be documented, and officials would still pass onto the referee, however; it will be ultimately up to the referee as to final decision. I don't recall there being any issues or concerns regarding this, which allowed the day to run smoothly. The Walks were held alongside the Relay Championships with the Triple Jump Competition being held at the Cambridge Pentathlon. These events may be removed from the calendar for next season due to lack of Walk Judges and athletes for both events.

**Waikato/BOP Children's Championships** was held at Porritt Stadium 18th March which saw 305 competitors this year from 19 clubs throughout the Waikato/Bay of Plenty area. This was down from last year, but it was still a wonderful day for those who attended. I would like to thank those who organised the Officials for me, which takes the pressure of me as Competition Secretary. Thank you also for the Fairfield Club who set up the event and all the officials and volunteers that stepped forward to ensure the day runs as smoothly as it does.

**Waikato-Bay of Plenty G14 – U18**, - Presented by Robin Knowles and I have taken key points from his report presented at Mid-Winter Forum.

In 2023 we had 40 active athletes competing for the Waikato Bay of Plenty IPs Team. This consisted of 19 females and 21 males, competing from January 1st till April 16th (local, national, and international competitions were included). The athletes amassed an overall total of 159 Personal Bests (PB's) this season (three athletes did not register their season starting PBs, so their PB counts were not included). [2022 Team was 37 athletes, 18 females and 19 males, with a total of 82 known PB's].

We were not able to recover all the costs this year, due to athletes intending to join, yet did not contribute financially or register any event performances (did not compete). With support from the following businesses; Da-Silva Builders, Smith Sports Shoes, and Ako Engineers, we have been able to reward (prizes) a larger group of athletes this season as well as use some of the donations to create a raffle to raise funds for the 2024 season competition.

The following prizes are to be awarded

- U18 Boys 1st – 4th Placings for personal bests
- U18 Girls 1st – 4th Placings for personal bests
- U16 Boys 1st – 4th Placings for personal bests
- U16 Girls 1st – 4th Placings for personal bests
- T-Shirt Photo competition
- IP Competition performances

The competition has been evolving over the last three seasons. The point system has been developed through the committee, with maximum points (1200) based on secondary school's national records. Certificate awards are awarded to athletes that achieve a Merit and Excellence standard.

The IP's management team collected athlete and parent voice to gain a deeper understanding to support and nurture our athletes and their parents in a sport they love for the upcoming 2023/2024 season. The feedback was completed by 25% of the athletes.

The main athlete request was for the return of a feature team event.

- 2020 was the last time we had a trip, Massey University, held over the 29th January weekend. The management group feel that this does not need to be an overnight event, instead an organised group trip could fit the requirements.
- We are also currently in discussions with Auckland and Counties Manukau regarding a tri-series type event. We go to them, and they come to us.  
Stats from the athletes highlight that the majority feel the IP's helps them to:
  - be connected with a wider group in the sport @ 78%,
  - feel part of a team and not an individual @ 78%,
  - work on their own goals @ 89%,
  - felt they could do a range of events @ 77%, while not being told what events to do
  - felt they could compete against a range of athletes and share in other's successes @ 67%.



Recommendations for change is as follows:

- We continue to use all the events on the circuit, within the competition window. All open meets, classics, nationals and schools events are open to the IP athletes
- Work with Auckland on a Tri Series event – with us running one event in our region
- Discuss with the region about what can be done on our Calander for an event, current suggestion is to have it prior to the Porritt Classic, with some sprint finals during the event. We would need approval and buy in from the events management. It could bring an extra 60 athletes to the event (not within the main event).
- Find ways to help parents connect throughout the season so they know the other athletes
- Athletes voice group, 4 athletes have raised their hands to be part of this and 2 are a maybe
- Set up ways to help fundraise for the 2023/2024 season from the current prizes to ensure there is money in the account to assist with some of the initiatives for the 2024 event
- We need more parents to be involved as it is currently not sustainable

**Waikato-Bay of Plenty G12/13 Inter-Provincial team** – there was discussion around what this would look like for this season. However, nothing got off the ground so we can only hope Athletics NZ and the Youth Advisory have plans in place so that there is some form of competition for 2023/2024.

**Administration:** This season I continued as Chairperson of Operations, but with Andrew resigning from Cambridge and the Children's side of the organisation I was the only delegate from Childrens. There was an attempt to find the second delegate, so this will need to be addressed in the AGM so that 2 delegates attend these meetings. Again, this year they meetings were all via Zoom, which has been the preferred option by most of this committee again.

This year I have decided to step down as Children's Chairperson, which was a hard decision after 7 years in the role. With the resignation of Louise last year and no one stepping up as minutes secretary, I have felt it has only been me holding this committee together. I also have struggled with some of the decisions coming from Athletic NZ and the Youth Advisory. I feel that some of my views regarding what is coming from our organisation, may not reflect that of someone, who holds a chair position within this organisation. I will continue as Competition Secretary but would encourage anyone that is interested to step up and learn this role. I would like to thank those who have supported me through the last 7 years in this role with their knowledge and history relating to Childrens Athletics. With the discontinuation of NZ Children's certainly changed how information was shared out to centres and clubs and a considerable amount of knowledge was lost.

We welcomed Dianne Rodger into the role of Administrator for WBOP and she has done an amazing job not only for children, but all areas of our sport. Sally Kerr from the Board continues to support Children's and offer support when required and with Andrew Langman also now a representative on the Board I feel children will continue to be supported strongly in this area.

Sadly, Heather O'Hagan has resigned from her role as Official co-ordinator and as an official. I wish her well with her retirement and thank her for all the work she did through the years in this role. There are many of us who have become officials under her guidance, learnt even more as we worked alongside her and totally appreciated everything, she did to increase the number of officials. Her replacement still needs to be found, so for the moment there is a gap in this section of the sport.

I feel this season may be the beginning of a new faze for children, depending on the nominations for Chairperson and minutes secretary at the AGM. What this may look like will reflect the contribution we receive from the children's clubs. Over the past years the number of Children's clubs attending our meetings has dropped off considerably. With this drop off has seen a loss of knowledge throughout the centre, especially around 'why we do what we do' as well as the rules we have to

support competition events, uniforms, and all aspects of Children's Athletics. Though I'm stepping away from my positions, I'm still available to answer questions or direct you to those who can.

I believe we have managed this season well, and clubs have supported their families and other clubs during this time. A big thank you goes out to all those who continue to support children's athletics, especially at club level. The future of children's Athletics in the Waikato-Bay of Plenty region relies on people stepping forward as volunteers, learning to coach children at club level, to officiate and to take up the reigns at Committee level. It continues to be important too, that we encourage our families to take up these opportunities as the future of children's athletics hangs in the balance and their involvement is necessary to ensure we continue to provide a strong front for Children's Athletics in the Waikato/Bay of Plenty area.

Sandra Murray

Chairperson

## **Masters**

The 2022/2023 summer season has been a contrast to last year being able to have our full number of events.

Our Warm-up Meetings were well supported at Porritt but both had to be held in November, this due to the up grading for the Special Olympics and Football World Cup. These attracted 25 & 28 competitors, respectively. Our Christmas meeting at Tauranga had 21 competitors. Our other meetings were as follows: WBOP Masters Champs Jan (35) Trophy Day (35) Multi Champs (26). Our Cross country (26) was boosted by a younger group of local masters taking part in the absence of our regulars from Hamilton. A clash of events did not help with this. We thank the Athletics Tauranga Club captain for her support. From an organizing perspective, it is great to see enjoyable rivalry and close finishes. The set-up / pack in assistance is of tremendous help.

Membership: Our current membership is 54, three down on last year. The 16 NZMA based members were able to take part in National champs this year being a postponement of the March event. There were no National champs in March. The North Island Champs were held in Masterton in January. It looks like the next ones will be held in December (Nth Is) & Feb 24 (Nationals). We have not had confirmation of these dates. We had a group of Masters travel to Sydney for the Australian Masters Champs in March which clashed with our Multi Day. We continue to be encouraged by members to continue with events and will do so as long as it is viable. New Committee members are necessary as we are in need of younger input.

Finances: Finances are remaining relatively healthy with prudent management by our Secretary/ Treasurer. Advertising sponsors allow us to produce our Newsletter, but costs are eating into this income. We need to attract several more sponsors. We are able to put on most of our events free of entry to members. We are pressured by NZMA Board to remove our membership fee, but the majority of members are happy to pay the minor charge. Removal would not create substantial new members and create the need to charge for all events. The current year produced a surplus of \$2390. This incorporated a grant of \$1500 to purchase safety throwing signs for the Tauranga Track.

Going Forward: - A big challenge awaits us in putting on the majority of events at Tauranga while Porritt Stadium is re-laid. A closer relationship with our committee & the AWBOP working group is a priority in getting Masters Aged members involved with WBOP Masters. The Athletic community in Tauranga is still strongly resisting the Events Centre which involves a great deal of unproductive

time. The World Women's Football Cup is getting to its final stage and has been a great spectacle. Next up is the elections.

I would like to thank the Waikato Centre for supporting Masters and including us in both the forum & Zoom meetings. I managed to conquer the phobia associated with these.

Murray Clarkson, President

## **Finance**

### **Summary of financial position**

The 2022/2032 financial year shows a surplus of \$72,110, representing a reasonably strong overall performance following on from the impact financially of the previous year mainly due to loss in competition and event revenue due to Covid-19 restrictions and change of date of Rotorua Marathon. However, it is of note that income was bolstered by some exceptional items, two Rotorua Marathons levy's (September 2022, May 2023) and an insurance settlement for the photo finish camera at Porritt Stadium.

Registration figures moved in a positive direction from the last season, and we have now returned to just over 3900 registered members (3968), which is a similar figure to pre covid 2019-2020. It is encouraging for the sport and will provide some support to our financial position should the trend continue.

Athletics Waikato-Bay of Plenty continues to have strong financial reserves, though moving forward, there could be some financial challenges for the 2023/24 financial year as we progress in employing someone in the development space for the Centre. I feel we can be reassured that Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty has the financial reserves to ensure we can meet any other unexpected challenges.

As we head into 2024 it is important that we continue to look at funding and sponsorship to reflect and enhance our Strategic Plan. Over the past financial year, we have had support once again from Trust Waikato, and grants from Lion Foundation, Grassroots Trust, and Pub Charity. We have also received continued support from Hamilton City Council for Porritt Classic.

I would like to express my thanks to Sue Ratcliffe for her invaluable assistance, patience, and advice with preparing the accounts presented in this report and throughout the year.

Dianne Rodger

Executive Officer

# **PERFORMANCE REPORT**

**Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty  
For the year ended 31 May 2023**

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## Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Entity Information

"Who are we?", "Why do we exist?"

For the year ended  
31 May 2023

<b>Legal Name of Entity:</b>	Athletics Waikato-Bay of Plenty Incorporated
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<b>Type of Entity and Legal Basis</b>	Incorporated Society
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<b>Registration Number:</b>	HN/847837
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<b>Entity's Purpose or Mission:</b> To lead the development and coordination of Athletics across the Waikato Bay of Plenty region, striving to ensure a quality experience for all levels of the sport and to foster excellence, enabling athletes to reach their potential.
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<b>Entity Structure:</b> The governing body consists of a board consisting of the president plus five board members. The entity also employs an administrator, Waikato Athletics Development Advisor and a Bay of Plenty Coach Force Contractor.
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<b>Main Sources of the Entity's Cash and Resources:</b> Activities are funded by grants from various trusts and through other sporting organisations.
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<b>Main Methods Used by the Entity to Raise Funds:</b> Funds are raised through member registration fees and on going activities which are mainly income from event hosting, hire of equipment and sanctioned event fees.
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<b>Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services:</b> The Board is made up of volunteers. Many of the entities activities are also by volunteers, including the provision of officials for events.
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02 August 2023

## INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE PRACTITIONER'S REVIEW REPORT

To the readers of the Financial Report for Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 May 2023, and the Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Movements in Accumulated Funds & Reserves and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### Management Committees' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Management Committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit), and for such internal control as the Management Committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Assurance Practitioner's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements. We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements (New Zealand) (ISRE (NZ)) 2400, Review of Historical Financial Statements Performed by an Assurance Practitioner who is not the Auditor of the Entity. ISRE (NZ) 2400 requires us to conclude whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements, taken as a whole, are not prepared in all material respects in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework. This Standard also requires us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with ISRE (NZ) 2400 is a limited assurance engagement. The assurance practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making enquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Other than in our capacity as assurance practitioner we have no relationship with, or interests in, Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that these financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty as at 31 May 2023, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit).



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**Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty**

**Approval of Financial Report**

For the year ended  
31 May 2023

The Board is pleased to present the annual financial report of Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty for the year ended 31 May 2023.

APPROVED



Sally Kerr  
Board Chair



Dianne Rodger  
Executive Officer

Date 02/08/2023

Date 02/08/2023

**Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty**

**Statement of Service Performance**

"What did we do?", When did we do it?"

For the year ended  
31 May 2023

**Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty Outcomes:**

To encourage participation in athletics across the Waikato Bay of Plenty Region.

**Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty Financial Outputs**

	2023	2022
Registration Fees Received	37,152	11,919
Open event and Waikato Bay of Plenty Championship entry fees received	16,630	9,900

**Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty Non-Financial Outputs**

	2023	2022
Registered Athletes	3,968	3,396
Meetings/sanctioned events held	31	25

**Significant Events**

Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty has experienced significant recovery during the 2023 financial year. The COVID-19 pandemic reduced the number of events we were able to hold between June 2021 and May 2022. This included many open and championship events, which resulted in a loss of income from those events through the event levy. Registrations were much lower than usual, particularly in some of the children's clubs. This trend has reversed during the current year.



## Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Statement of Financial Performance

"How was it funded?" and "What did it cost?"

For the year ended  
31 May 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
<b>Revenue</b>			
Donations, fundraising and grants	1	93,683	39,299
Revenue from members	1	37,152	11,919
Revenue from providing goods and services	1	70,389	19,832
Interest and other investment revenue	1	5,521	2,811
Other revenue	1	27,696	1,200
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>234,441</b>	<b>75,061</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Volunteer, employee and contractor related costs	2	80,027	94,982
Costs related to providing goods or services	2	82,304	33,310
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>162,331</b>	<b>128,292</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the year</b>		<b>72,110</b>	<b>(53,231)</b>

The Notes to the Financial Statements and Reviewer's Report form part of and are to be read in conjunction with these Financial Statements

## Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Statement of Movements in Accumulated Funds & Reserves

For the year ended

31 May 2023

	Accumulated Funds	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Replacement and Renewals Reserve	Colgate Games Reserve	Total Equity
Opening Balance	108,281	41,933	100,000	22,806	273,020
Surplus for the year	72,110	-	-	-	72,110
Revaluation of Non-current assets	(4,743)	-	-	-	(4,743)
<b>Net Equity Before Transfers to Reserves</b>	<b>175,648</b>	<b>41,933</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>22,806</b>	<b>340,387</b>
Transfers to/from Reserves	(20,257)	(4,743)	25,000	-	-
<b>Closing Equity 31 May 2023</b>	<b>155,391</b>	<b>37,190</b>	<b>125,000</b>	<b>22,806</b>	<b>340,387</b>

	Accumulated Funds	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Replacement and Renewals Reserve	Colgate Games Reserve	Total Equity
Opening Balance	186,512	49,082	75,000	22,806	333,400
Deficit for the year	(53,231)	-	-	-	(53,231)
Revaluation of Non-current assets	(7,149)	-	-	-	(7,149)
<b>Net Equity Before Transfers to Reserves</b>	<b>126,132</b>	<b>49,082</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>22,806</b>	<b>273,020</b>
Transfers to/from Reserves	(17,851)	(7,149)	25,000	-	-
<b>Closing Equity 31 May 2022</b>	<b>108,281</b>	<b>41,933</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>22,806</b>	<b>273,020</b>

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## Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended  
31 May 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>		
<i>Cash was provided from</i>		
Grants and donations	74,058	72,505
Receipts from competitions and events	58,824	29,921
Membership registrations	38,241	13,229
Interest received	2,728	2,932
Other operating activities	37	66
Net GST Received	673	1,528
	<b>174,561</b>	<b>120,181</b>
<i>Cash was applied to</i>		
Payments to employees, contractors and volunteers	77,531	94,049
Payments to suppliers	72,535	31,111
	<b>150,066</b>	<b>125,160</b>
<b>Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>	<b>24,495</b>	<b>(4,979)</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>		
<i>Cash was provided from</i>		
Proceeds from sale of investments	25,366	-
	25,366	-
<i>Cash was applied to</i>		
Purchase of Gear and Equipment	37,531	3,059
	<b>37,531</b>	<b>3,059</b>
<b>Total Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>	<b>(12,165)</b>	<b>(3,059)</b>
<b>Net Cash Flows</b>	<b>12,330</b>	<b>(8,038)</b>
<b>Cash Balances</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	205,592	213,630
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	217,922	205,592
<b>Net change in cash for period</b>	<b>12,330</b>	<b>(8,038)</b>

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## Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Statement of Financial Position

"What does the entity own and owe?"

As at  
31 May 2023

	Notes	31-May-23	31-May-22
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Bank Accounts and Cash	3	217,922	205,591
Accounts Receivable	3	46,562	2,308
Inventory	3	10,563	9,723
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>275,047</b>	<b>217,622</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Gear and Equipment	3	90,112	67,404
Investments	3	10,000	35,366
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b>100,112</b>	<b>102,770</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>375,159</b>	<b>320,391</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Creditors and accrued expenses	4	34,771	47,371
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>34,771</b>	<b>47,371</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>340,387</b>	<b>273,020</b>
<b>Accumulated Funds</b>			
Accumulated Funds	5	155,391	108,281
Reserves	5	184,996	164,739
<b>Total Accumulated Funds and Reserves</b>		<b>340,387</b>	<b>273,020</b>

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## Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Statement of Accounting Policies

"How did we do our accounting?"

For the year ended  
31 May 2023

#### Basis of Preparation

The entity has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

#### Good and Services Tax (GST)

The entity is registered for good and services tax (GST). All amounts are stated exclusive of GST except for accounts payable and accounts receivable which are stated inclusive of GST.

#### Income Tax

Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty is wholly exempt from New Zealand income tax, having fully complied with all statutory conditions for these exemptions.

#### Bank Accounts and Cash

Bank Accounts and cash in the Statement of Cash Flows comprise cash balances and bank balances (including short term deposits) with original maturities of 90 days or less.

#### Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies and they have been applied on a consistent basis with those of the previous reporting period.

#### Reserving Policy

In the financial year 2018-2019, the Executive Committee agreed to set aside \$25,000 per annum to create a reserve to fund future replacement and renewals from retained earnings. Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty hold cash reserves to meet these long term significant financial commitments. The objective is provide funds for future major renewals as required.

Porritt Athletics Stadium resurfacing every 10 years	100,000
Tauranga Domain Athletics Stadium resurfacing every 10 years	100,000
Athletics equipment and infrastructure renewals on a 10 year cycle	50,000
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	\$ 250,000

As the funds held are tagged for these significant ongoing commitments, the funds are not available for use for other purposes. They will be held in the Reserve until they are utilised on the intended project. Any funds received specifically for these types of projects through fundraising or expenditure incurred on projects are recognised through the Statement of Financial Performance as revenue and expenditure and the related net surplus or deficit is transferred between the project reserve and retained earnings.

The Colgate Games Reserve represents funds set aside for hosting of North Island Colgate Games.

#### Gear and Equipment

Gear and Equipment comprise athletics competition gear and office equipment. All items of Gear and Equipment were revalued in 2021 at their estimated fair value, as determined by the Administrator, having regard to the age and condition of the assets. The change in value of Gear and Equipment has been recorded in Accumulated Funds via an Asset Revaluation Reserve. Gear and Equipment will be revalued in this way every three years and changes in value will also be recorded through the asset revaluation reserve. An estimated reduction in value of revalued Gear and Equipment of 5% has been provided for and has been recorded through the asset revaluation reserve. Gear and Equipment is classed as a Non-Current Asset in the Statement of Financial Position.

## Athletics Waikato Bay of Plenty

### Notes to the Performance Report

For the year ended  
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	2023	2022
<b>1 Analysis of Revenue</b>		
<b>Donations, fundraising and grants</b>		
<b>Grants</b>		
Grassroots Trust	24,965	-
Lion Foundation	16,042	5,391
Pub Charity	2,000	-
Sport Bay of Plenty	11,300	10,325
Sport Waikato, Regional COVID Hardship Fund	-	5,000
Sport Waikato, Tu Manawa Fund	19,624	2,583
Trust Waikato	18,000	16,000
Donations	1,752	-
<b>Total donations, fundraising and grants</b>	<b>93,683</b>	<b>39,299</b>
<b>Revenue from members</b>		
Registrations	37,152	11,919
<b>Total revenue from members</b>	<b>37,152</b>	<b>11,919</b>
<b>Revenue from providing goods and services</b>		
12/13 Interprovincial Income	848	3,034
14/16 Interprovincial Income	1,328	2,013
Child Age Flashes	-	2,185
Gear Hire	4,991	2,026
Income from Other Events	24,374	265
Officials Courses/Shirts	113	17
Open Event Fee	4,040	5,289
Porrirt Classic income	22,106	-
Relay, Area, Waikato Championships	9,193	-
Waikato Cross Country & Road Championships	1,826	2,652
Waikato Track Championships	1,570	1,960
Uniforms	-	391
<b>Total revenue from providing goods and services</b>	<b>70,389</b>	<b>19,832</b>
<b>Interest and other investment revenue</b>		
Interest	5,521	2,811
<b>Total interest and other investment revenue</b>	<b>5,521</b>	<b>2,811</b>
<b>Other revenue</b>		
COVID-19 Wage Subsidy	-	1,200
Sundry Income	27,696	-
<b>Total other revenue</b>	<b>27,696</b>	<b>1,200</b>
Sundry Income mainly relates to an insurance claim for equipment stolen in December 2022.		
<b>2 Analysis of Expenses</b>		
<b>Volunteer, employee and contractor related costs</b>		
BOP Coach Force Lease & Expenses	8,164	6,332
Expense Contributions	550	800
Salaries	69,722	81,198
Waikato Development Officer car lease and expenses	1,591	6,652
<b>Total volunteer and employee related costs</b>	<b>80,027</b>	<b>94,982</b>

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**Costs related to providing goods or services**

Accident Compensation	314	318
Age Flashes	15	2,377
12/13 Interprovincial expenses	43	4,087
14/16 Interprovincial expenses	1,552	1,982
Coaching	300	104
Duty Club	-	200
Financial Review fees	3,000	3,000
Gear Maintenance & Replacement	674	132
General Expenses	2,264	1,713
Insurance	2,941	3,757
Inventory and equipment written off	10,080	1,200
Medals	3,173	1,458
Meet Expenses - Sundry	4,950	2,844
NZ Track and Field Championships Subsidies	2,200	2,650
NZ Road Championships Subsidies	200	-
NZ Cross Country Subsidies- Dunedin	850	550
Photo Finish, Results	416	381
Porritt Classic expenses	22,943	-
Porritt ground hire, lease	1,498	477
Printing, Stationery, Software, Phone	2,600	1,626
Sports House Occupancy	2,169	2,750
Tauranga Domain Hire	452	-
Tu Manawa Fund Programme Expenses	18,217	-
Uniforms	849	523
Waikato cross country and road championships expenses	604	1,181
<b>Total costs related to providing goods or services</b>	<b>82,304</b>	<b>33,310</b>

**3 Analysis of Assets**

**Bank accounts and cash (Less than 90 days to maturity)**

BNZ - 14/18 Interprovincial Funds	3,418	1,876
BNZ - Athletics Waikato Operating Account	37,535	27,294
BNZ - Children's Athletics Account	18,995	18,855
BNZ - Term Deposit	130,000	130,000
Westpac Children's Athletics Account	27,974	27,567
<b>Total Bank accounts and cash</b>	<b>217,922</b>	<b>205,591</b>

**Accounts Receivable**

Accounts Receivable and Accrued Income	42,345	884
Accrued Interest	4,217	1,424
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>46,562</b>	<b>2,308</b>

**Inventory**

Medals Stock	6,353	4,776
Singlet Stock	4,210	4,947
<b>Total Inventory</b>	<b>10,563</b>	<b>9,723</b>

**Gear and Equipment**

Gear & Equipment	90,112	67,404
<b>Total Gear &amp; Equipment</b>	<b>90,112</b>	<b>67,404</b>

**Investments (Greater than 90 days to maturity)**

ANZ Term Deposit	-	25,366
Westpac Children's Athletics Term Deposit	10,000	10,000
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>35,366</b>

**4 Analysis of Liabilities**

**Creditors and accrued expenses**

Accounts Payable	7,425	4,421
GST	2,829	553
Grants in Advance	18,972	38,597
Registration Fees in Advance	5,546	3,800
<b>Total Creditors and accrued expenses</b>	<b>34,771</b>	<b>47,371</b>

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**5 Accumulated Funds and Reserves**

**Accumulated Funds**

Opening Balance	108,281	186,512
Current Year Earnings	72,110	(53,231)
Revaluation of Non-current Assets	(4,743)	(7,149)
<b>Total Accumulated Funds</b>	<b>175,648</b>	<b>126,132</b>

Net transfer (to)/from Reserves	(20,257)	(17,851)
	<b>155,391</b>	<b>108,281</b>

**Reserves**

Asset Revaluation Reserve	37,191	41,933
Colgate Games Reserve	22,806	22,806
Replacement and Renewals Reserve	125,000	100,000
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>184,996</b>	<b>164,739</b>

<b>Total Accumulated Funds and Reserves</b>	<b>340,387</b>	<b>273,020</b>
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**6 Commitments**

There are no commitments as at 31 May 2023 (2022: nil).

**7 Contingent Liabilities and Guarantees**

There are no contingent liabilities or guarantees as at 31 May 2023 (2022: nil).

**8 Related Parties**

There were no transactions involving related parties during the financial year.

**9 Events After Balance Date**

There were no events that have occurred after balance date that would have a material impact on the Performance Report (2022: nil).

**10 Ability to Continue Operating**

The Board believe that the entity will continue to operate for the foreseeable future as there are sufficient cash reserves to cover any deficits arising and during the 2023 financial year post the Covid-19 pandemic, regular operations have resumed.



## Registrations 2022/23

	M60+		M35-59		Senior		U20		U18		U15		U11		U7		U5		TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
BVEA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	11	46	28	25	25	43	27	222
CAMB	6	1	23	14	1	1	2	1	7	6	26	32	68	73	49	40	48	39	437
FAIR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	35	62	64	34	37	35	27	327
FRAK	9	11	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	2	6	10	15	6	6	2	77
GRER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	4	21	24	13	5	3	4	92
HAWK	13	2	38	19	11	17	5	3	20	19	9	7	1	2	0	0	0	0	166
HINE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	15	21	34	23	24	13	10	146
KATI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KAWR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LCTY	35	32	30	31	8	11	1	4	2	7	38	28	47	37	42	29	48	55	485
MATA	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	8	30	31	23	22	45	38	207
MERC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	10	12	16	17	13	15	8	97
MORA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	5	34	28	27	15	29	23	169
NGAT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	7	9	7	4	15	12	57
OHAC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OMOK	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5	12	13	12	12	20	8	86
ORIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	5	24	6	5	9	4	0	62
OTOA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PAEA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	7
PAPM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	9	32	54	45	27	51	37	268
PUTA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	3	0	1	0	0	8
TARO	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	8	7	31	37	22	19	25	21	173
TAWM	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	16	20	38	34	28	24	18	20	203
THAC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	13	11	4	7	4	8	52
THAH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOKO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	5	6	15	5	5	11	5	60
TOKA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TPOA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	11	17	24	19	9	15	9	111
TPOH	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TPUK	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	11	13	15	22	15	9	26	16	130
TRGA	13	1	10	2	7	3	4	0	21	8	5	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	81
WAIH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	6	3	5	2	19
WHKE	2	0	2	3	1	0	2	0	1	1	12	12	32	26	28	18	41	44	225
	79	47	109	73	30	34	14	9	57	44	267	257	581	604	465	363	520	415	3968
Total	126		182		64		23		101		524		1185		828		935		
2022-2023 Year	458									2537						922		3968	
2021-2022 Year	560									2126						710		3396	