

WELCOME

Little Athletics Australia partners with Jetstar Airways!

Little Athletics Australia (LAA) are thrilled to partner with Jetstar as the first ever naming rights partner for Little Athletics. The two year partnership will enable Little Athletics to provide more backing to the 500 plus Centres throughout the country while giving Jetstar the opportunity to engage with the Little Athletics community.

Martin Stillman, Chief Executive of Little Athletics Australia, said "Little Athletics is an iconic brand in the Australian junior sporting landscape and we are thrilled to partner with Jetstar Airways as our new naming rights partner. We recently celebrated 50 years of Little Athletics in Australia, and are now excited to embark on this new chapter in our history with Jetstar."

We are certainly looking ahead to a great season. A big welcome to the Little Athletics family for our new Centres Swan Valley LAC, Hedland LAC, Newman LAC and the South Mandurah club who will compete at Peel LAC.

Remember you can stay in touch with exciting news and stories from us through these E-News editions, walittleathletics.com.au and [facebook.com/walittleathletics](https://www.facebook.com/walittleathletics).

We hope everyone enjoys the 2014/15 Little Athletics summer season. Be Your Best

INTERNATIONAL TEAM

Singapore 2014

A team of 73 under 14 & 15 WA Little Athletes travelled to Singapore in July to compete against the hosts and Malaysia in the International Athletics Championships. We are very proud of them. Here are a few great pictures from the action. You can see more at our facebook page.



WINTER SEASON

Looking back on a great Winter season!

The Cross Country and Road Walking season has now finished. It has been great to see a growing amount of Little Athletes getting involved in these distance events held at a variety of picturesque locations across Perth. Well done to Cockburn LAC and Rockingham LAC for hosting the cross country and walk championship events respectively. Thank you to all of the volunteers who assisted, especially our Winter Officer, Jay Lewis. Here are some great pics from the season!

Photo credits to Mark A Gray for his efforts during the events.





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CENTRE SNAPSHOTS

Little Athletics Centres open in the Pilbara!

WALA conducted a special visit to the Pilbara region from 12-15 August. Abid Imam (Development Officer) and Frank Jamieson (Board member for Athlete Development) spent 2 days each in Newman and Port Hedland to assist the establishment of new Little Athletics Centres in both towns. They delivered 6 coaching/officiating courses attended by 100 people. Local schools also participated in LAPS clinics. Thank you to the people of both towns plus companies Raw Hire and Newman Hotel for their valued assistance.

We are pleased to welcome Newman LAC and Hedland LAC to the Little Athletics family.



ATHLETICS WA

The 2014 WA All Schools Track and Field Championships will be held at the WA Athletics Stadium from 31/10– 2/11. Entry is open to any WA school student aged 12-17 years, including Para-athletes (athletes with a disability). Further info is available at <http://www.waathletics.org.au/Participate/Competitions/State-Championships/WA-All-Schools>. Athletes can qualify for selection on to the WA State Team for the 2014 Australian All Schools Championships to be held in Adelaide 5-7 December.

Athletics WA is launching the Para-athletics Program for athletes with a disability. Weekly training and competition opportunities will be available to athletes, with a pathway available to compete at the Paralympics. Further info is available at <http://www.waathletics.org.au/Athletes/Para-Athletics/Athletics-for-All>

Coaching Accreditation Courses are available through Athletics WA for all coaches wanting to develop their skills. Further info about upcoming courses is available at <http://www.waathletics.org.au/Coaches/Information>

2014-2015 Strive Track & Field Season will commence 24 October and continue every Friday night until March. Transition clinics will be available for Little Athletes. Details will be advertised on the AWA website next month.

For further info about the Athletics WA Development and High Performance Pathway Programs, please contact Mel Tantrum on (08) 6272 0480 or email mel.tantrum@waathletics.org.au.

INTERNATIONAL

Congratulations Kim Mickle!

The recent Commonwealth Games, IAAF World Junior Championships and Youth Olympics have showcased a great number of athletes who started out in Little Athletics.

Kim Mickle (ex - Peel and Melville Little Athlete) performed admirably in Glasgow by winning gold in the javelin, throwing a Commonwealth games record of 65.96 metres.

Kim has recently been named Australian and West Australian Athlete of the Year. Her achievements are certainly being acknowledged by many in the sport.

She has described herself as “a little girl from Perth who just likes to train and throw things”.

WA Little Athletics would like to congratulate Kim on her medals, records and accolades.



WHERE'S WALA?

WA Little Athletics in South America

WALA Development Officer, Abid Imam recently visited Brazil and Colombia during June and July. We had some shirts from the 2012 McDonald's State Track & Field Championships which the local children were very grateful to receive. If you are a Little Athlete travelling to any interesting part of the world, just send your photo to admin@walittleathletics.com.au and we'll be happy to add it here!



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