



Weekly Newsletter

26th November, 2016

There was no competition last week at Mace Oval due to Regional Relays. Read on further for a detailed report, including a list of those who have qualified for States.

This week is our Multi Event. All the age groups are competing in the same 5 events for points. The points are tallied up at the end of competition and 1st, 2nd and 3rd trophies are awarded to those winners for each age group in a few week's time at the Christmas Handicap (December 10th). If your child(ren) are NOT attending the Christmas Handicap on the 10th, please email the club ASAP. This will help with sorting out heats and for catering purposes. More information to come next week about the Christmas Handicap.

The club is running a raffle this Christmas. Prizes are a Fitbit, an air hockey table and 2 Garmin Vivofit Juniors (see flyer at the end of the newsletter). Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and can be purchased from the Registration/Merchandise tent Saturday mornings. The raffle will be drawn at the Christmas Handicap on December 10th (it's going to be a busy day!). The prizes were bought using our Amart Sports credit - thank you to all our members who frequent Amart as 5% of your purchases come back to us. All money raised is going into our new club house fund - the \$2 million the Federal government have promised us for an all-weather track at Civic Reserve will cover the costs of the track only. Therefore, to help facilitate Council building us an appropriate clubroom/storage structure, we would like to contribute as much money as possible. We will also start applying for grants as soon as we know council timelines for the building of the track. So please support us by buying some raffle tickets.

The hoodies have arrived!! They will be on sale from this Saturday at the Registration/Merchandise tent. Children's sizes are \$45 each (size 6, 8, 10, 12, 14) and adult sizes are \$50 each (S, M, L, XL).



Please don't forget to pay your registration fees if you haven't already. There are still 91 athletes registered that are yet to pay. The 2 week trial period for most new members is now over. You can log back in to Little Aths Victoria and pay online, or pay us Saturday morning at the Registration/Merchandise tent. We take cash and cards. If you have paid online and not received your registration pack, come and see us at the Registration/Merchandise tent to pick one up. **If you have decided not to return, please email the club to let us know.** This will stop you from receiving emails from us each week. mornington@lavic.com.au

Finally, can all those who park at Mace Oval please remember to NOT park on the road outside the entrance gates. This is a safety issue as people turning out of the car park cannot see traffic coming from up the hill when cars are parked here. If you have a family member or friend bringing your children along, please reinforce this with them. There is ample parking up the hill near Balcombe Grammar School if the Mace Oval carpark is full.

On Saturday 12th of November we had 4 club records broken.

- **Olivia Stuart broke the U14 Girls 1500m club record with a time of 5:25.83mins**
- **Connor Yates broke the U15 Boys Triple Jump club record with a distance of 12.02m**
- **Joshua Cottier broke the U15 Boys 70m club record with a time of 8.95s**
- **Corey Hough broke the U16 Boys 70m club record with a time of 9.23s**

Well done to all these athletes!!

The key points to note this week are:

- Duty Roster
- Jetstar U6-U8 State Carnival
- Regional Relay Report
- LA Vic State Multi Event
- Ritchies Community Benefits card
- Uniforms
- Results HQ
- Parking
- Wet Weather
- Team App
- Facebook
- Weekly Program

Duty Roster for Saturday 26th November, 2016

Please note that we have 2 age groups rostered on to ensure that each duty is suitably attended.

Set up takes more than an hour and we really do need those rostered on to be there as required. The committee are always on hand but as we all know many hands make light work and it makes a world of difference to how the whole day runs when we can set-up on-time for the program to start, especially on the first morning of the season!

The following Age Groups are rostered on this weekend:

Setup : **U12 Boys** and **U7 Girls** (*please arrive by 7.30am*)

BBQ : **U10 Girls** and **U9 Boys** (*from set up of the BBQ at 8.45 to pack-up and clean at the day's end*)

Pack Up : **Under 6 Girls** and **Open Boys** (*concludes once the containers are locked up*)

Jetstar U6-U8 State Carnival

PLEASE NOTE: Places are now only available for U6 and U8 girls. If you wish to attend in these age groups, please register ASAP!!

The Jetstar U6-U8 State Carnival is being held on the 27th of November at the Tom Kelly Athletics Track, Doncaster. It's the only State-wide event for our Under 6 to Under 8 athletes. It's a fun day with a carnival atmosphere which includes face painting, jumping castles and giveaways. Athletes will enjoy an educational experience with a focus on skills and technique development under the guidance of LAVic coaches. **Parents are encouraged to follow their children to each event. Places are restricted to 50 children in each age group and gender.** If you wish to register your child, or find out more information, click [here](#).

Regional Relay Report

We had a huge day at Regional Relays today. With the 51 teams entered this year (2 more than last year), we won 19 medals (4 more than last year) - 5 gold medals, 11 silver and 3 bronze. We were surrounded constantly by the sounds of the "bling cling". There were also many 4th and 5th placings. All our athletes conducted themselves beautifully - they are a credit to their parents and we are lucky to have them all associated with our club. There were a few items of lost property left at the end of the day. If you have lost a cardigan and a pencil case, please see Lisa Henry at the Rego/Merch tent on Saturday.

Thank you's must go out to the following people:

Mark Henry (SMR Competition Coordinator) for running a tight ship on the day and in the lead up to the event.

Trevor Quint (SMR Chief Starter) in his 2nd official event in this role did MLAC proud.

Todd Martin (Jury Convenor) - first time in this role, and had a tough day in a usually easy job.

Paul Davies (Team Manager) - always a very labour intensive job, well done.

Karen Bryce/Julie Burton/David Sutherland (Call Room) - long hours spent checking uniforms, thank you.

James Barrett (Training) - great job getting our athletes to relay readiness (with help from **Mark Henry, Todd Martin, Paul Davies and Lucy Duncan**).

Mark O'Donnell for putting the teams together.

Mick Westworth for selling nearly \$200 worth of raffle tickets in one day!!

To all our **parents** who completed general duties - the day would grind to a halt without your help.

To all the **team managers** who helped ensure their athletes made it to the call room, well done.

And to all our wonderful, smiling, happy **MLAC athletes** - you're the reason we were all there. You hopefully had a great day full of fun and fantastic memories.

The Progression and Qualifiers list for States has been published. We have a total of 16 teams who have qualified to run at Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park on Saturday the 17th of December. Those teams who have qualified are:

- U9 Boys - 4x100m Team A, 4x200m Team A
- U10 Boys - 4x100m Team A, 4x200m Team A
- U12 Boys - 4x100m, 4x200m
- U13 Boys - 4x200m
- U15 Boys - 4x100m, 4x200m, Medley
- U10 Girls - 4x100m Team A, 4x200m Teams A & B, Medley Team A
- U13 Girls - 4x100m Team A

Congratulations to all these athletes, particularly to the U10 Girls B team who have also made it to States in the 4x200m race. More information will be sent out in the next couple of weeks to those athletes who have qualified.

LA Vic State Multi Event Championships

After the Subway State Relay Championships, the next big State competition is the LA Vic State Multi Event Championships. This year it is being hosted in Bendigo at the Latrobe University Athletics Complex over the weekend of the 28th and 29th of January, 2017. Registrations are open now, and close on Monday the 9th of January 2017 at 11.59pm. The cost is \$30 per entrant (plus a processing fee). The U9-11's compete on the Saturday, the U12-13's on the Sunday, and the U14-15's over both days. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Ritchies Community Benefits Card

We still have some Ritchies Community Benefits cards pre-linked to our club for members to use at Ritchies and IGA stores that run the Community Benefits program. Once our monthly spend reaches \$2000, Riches will donate to the club 0.5% of all subsequent sales. We really need to inject as much money into the club as possible over the next couple of years so we can contribute financially to the new track. The more money we contribute will hopefully help speed the process along. So if you shop regularly at the Mt Eliza, Towerhill Frankston, Somerville, Hastings, Rosebud and Dromana IGA and/or Ritchies stores (there is a full list of all participating stores at the Rego/Merch tent, but please note the Mt Martha store IS NOT on the list), please stop by the Registration tent at Mace Oval this Saturday and pick up a card. There is nothing to fill in, the cards are already linked to us and ready to use. Or you can pick a card up from any store and link it to Mornington Little Athletics. Our CB number is **91989**. Please ask extended family members who shop at these stores to consider helping us with this too. According to the Ritchies [website](#), Dromana Primary School received \$692.93 for the month of September!! We have had 3 monthly donations since we started this in February, totalling \$43.41. This is \$43 we didn't have that is going straight towards the new track club rooms!!

RITCHIES
Where the Community Benefits

Uniforms

Uniforms and other club merchandise will be available for sale only at Mace Oval on each competition day at the big orange Registration/Merchandise tent. This year we are also selling Little Aths Victoria branded shorts. These will be compulsory for all athletes competing at Regional and State events from next season. With this in mind, we have limited sizes in stock for those athletes in the U9+ age groups. Tshirts - \$45, Singlets - \$45, Crop Tops - \$50, LA Vic shorts - \$25, children's MLAC hoodies - \$45, adults MLAC hoodies - \$50.

Please remember that ALL club singlets should have a Little Athletics Victoria logo, and a Jetstar patch (orange) or printed logo on the top right hand side. **All white Jetstar patches and red IGA patches need to be removed.**

Results HQ

To view your child's results, you will need to log in to Results HQ. You will need to have paid the club registration fee to have access. The login details are a little confusing:

Username: Your family username is the email address you used to register your primary member with (usually your oldest child)

Password: Your password is the Login ID of your primary member when you log in to LA Vic.

You can view your whole family's results on one page, and also view all MLAC results. Tickets can be printed out to keep. We endeavour to have the results available by Sunday evening.

If you have registered and paid by Thursday evening and there is no bib for your child, please talk to someone at the Registration tent.

If you have any problems logging in, please contact Lisa Henry lhenry@morningtonlittleaths.org

<https://www.resultshq.com.au/login>



Parking

Please note the following parking and drop-off guidelines which we have put in place for safety reasons:

- If you are dropping your child(ren) off in the car park, please **do not** stop just inside the gates. Drive around the car park circuit back towards the entrance and drop off on the car park side closest to the road. This avoids congestion at the entrance to Mace.
- **Do not park on Nepean Highway outside the entrance to Mace Oval.** This is a safety issue for cars turning out of the car park.
- The grass areas in the car park can be used for parking. If you have a 4WD vehicle, we ask you to park on the grass if possible to leave parks available for non 4WD cars.
- Once the Mace car park is full, please park up the hill, off street, beside Balcombe Grammar School. There is a pathway from there down the steps to the oval.

What happens in the event of Wet Weather/Extreme Heat

When the weather forecast does not look great, the committee makes a decision by 8:00 a.m. on the morning of competition whether the competition day will go ahead or be cancelled. In the event of cancellation a notice will be posted on the following sites by 8:00 am:

Website www.morningtonlittleaths.org
Facebook www.facebook.com/mlac82
Twitter @mlac82

Team App www.teamapp.com/

We communicate with our members almost exclusively via electronic means. We will always email you important information, but it is also distributed via our Facebook page and Team App.

Team App

As with previous years, we will be utilising Team App to get information out to our members and their families about news and events around the centre.

Download Team App (it's free!) from iTunes or the Play Store and search for Mornington Little Athletics.



Facebook

We also have a Facebook page filled with news and photos of our athletes. Make sure you "Like" it to see posts in your Newsfeed. If you do not wish to have your child's photo published, please send an email to our secretary Lisa Henry lhenny@morningtonlittleaths.org. She will endeavour to ensure your child's photos are never published.



Weekly Program

This week's program is the Multi Event and can be downloaded by clicking [here](#) or find it on the club website.

If unsure of what to do on the day, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via email or by speaking to one of the committee members on Saturday mornings. They are easily identified in their bright orange polo shirts

Regards,

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Mornington Little Athletics Centre are running a Christmas Raffle to raise money towards the new athletics track clubrooms to be built at Civic Reserve, Mornington. Will be drawn at the Christmas Handicap on **December 10th.**



Prizes are:



Fitbit Charge 2

- Black, size Small (can be changed if required)
- PurePulse heart rate monitoring
- All-day activity and sleep tracking with Connected GPS
- Display provides activity data, time and smartphone notifications

Valued at \$249



Blazen Defender Air Hockey Table

- High performance playing surface
- Compact design for easy storage
- Suitable for indoor and outdoor play

Valued at \$249



Garmin Vivofit Junior x 2

- Durable kid-friendly design
- Assign trackable household chores from the smartphone app
- Features replaceable battery with a 1+ year battery life

Valued at \$129



Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5



Tickets can be bought from the Registration/Merchandise tent until the 10th of December

