



Hobart Districts

Little Athletics Centre Inc.

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NEW YEAR NEWSLETTER, SEASON 2005/2006

WELCOME BACK:

On behalf of the Committee of Management welcome back to the second half of the 2005/2006 Little Athletics season. We trust all families had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year and look forward to interacting with you over the next 3+ months. As a welcome back gift all Little Athletes in attendance at today's meeting are entitled to a free sausage at our barbecue and a free can of soft drink. Age Group Managers will be distributing vouchers to facilitate this. Please enjoy!

Chris Fox
President, HDLAC

FUNDRAISING RAFFLE:

As mentioned in HDLAC newsletters prior to the Christmas break, during the second half of the season the Centre always holds a fund-raising raffle. Tickets for this raffle are \$1 each and will be distributed in books of ten via Age Group Managers over the next few weeks.(starting today). We ask all families to please take one book and sell them between now and our last meeting of the season which is scheduled for Saturday 18th March when the raffle will be drawn. There are some great prizes, including a framed cricket bat autographed by Tasmanian cricketer Jamie Cox on the occasion of his record breaking Pura Cup match. Once sold, ticket books and moneys can be returned to either your Age Group Managers or Dale at the Announcers Table. Additional books are also available on request – again see Dale. Thank you for supporting this important fund-raiser which each season raises more than \$1000 for our children.

McDONALD'S LOYALTY CARDS:

Last year a number of families were given McDonald's loyalty cards which provided them with an opportunity to gain sponsorship for our Centre each time they visited a McDonald's restaurant. A polite reminder that completed loyalty cards need to be returned to the HDLAC secretary Julie Ristrom to enable these sponsorship dollars to be redeemed. Please give them to either Julie direct or see Dale at the Announcers Table.

WARM-UP TOPS AND NEW CENTRE BUCKET HATS:

After a period of planning, the committee is pleased to announce the availability of a new Centre warm-up top and bucket hat. Both of these items, which are in Centre colours and come in a number of sizes (including adult), are available from Dale at the Announcers Table. Cost of the warm-up tops is \$22 each for children's sizes and \$26 for adults. Bucket hats are \$10 each. Samples of each can also be viewed so please do so and consider purchasing as these are good quality items which are both good value and serve an important role in protecting our children from the wind and the sun.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

All parents and Little Athletes are reminded of three approaching important Little Athletics events:

- 1) Southern State Meeting, The Domain, Sunday 15 January 2006. Forms to register are on the Centre notice board and the day is open to all Little Athletes.
- 2) Multi-event Day, Thursday 26th January (Australia Day) at the Domain. Events will be 100m, 800m, hurdles, long-jump and discus and it is open to Little Athletes in the Under 11 to Under 15 age groups.
- 3) Relay Day, The Domain, 5th February. Athletes will be individually invited to compete. A commitment to travel to St Leonards in Launceston for the relay finals is required when accepting this invitation.

NEW OFFICIAL:

On behalf of the committee of management I would like to welcome Leanne Cook to the role of Co-ordinator:Championships and Special Events. This position has a key role in facilitating the participation of Hobart Districts Little Athletes in events such as the above. Welcome on board Leanne and thank you for taking on this additional responsibility beyond that attached to your Age Group Managers role.

NEW KIOSK AND EQUIPMENT SHED UPDATE:

It may not look like much is happening in this area but it is! All required approvals have now been gained and the water main which was directly beneath the site has kindly been relocated by the Hobart City Council. Excavation work for the foundations should hence commence in the near future and actual construction will begin shortly thereafter. A polite reminder again to please ensure that all Little Athletes stay well clear of the building site – both now and during the construction phase. Thank you in anticipation of your support here.