



New Balance Championships 2004
32nd New Zealand Secondary Schools Track & Field and Road Race
Hamilton 4-5th December

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Welcome to the 32nd Track & Field and Road Race Championships

Venue	Porritt Stadium, Hamilton
Date	4 th -5 th December 9.00am start both days 8.00 am 5th December Road Races at AgResearch Station Ruakura

Introduction

It is now countdown time for the NZ Secondary Schools Athletics Championships which is an integral part of the Second College Games where many sports are taking place. Don't forget to check out the College Games website for all the excellent services they are offering over this weekend at the Games Village at the University. www.nzcollegegames.co.nz.

Here is the final newsletter containing the following information.

Timetable of Events

29 th November	Final date for Late Entries (\$50)
28 th November	Newsletter Three,
1 st December	Individual Scratchings closing date
3 rd December	4.00pm Managers Meeting and NZSSAA AGM in Lecture Theatre 1 at Waikato University access off Knighton Rd
	6.00 pm Opening Ceremony College Games Waikato University Knighton Rd access.
4-5 th December	Track & Field and Road Race Championships

Information Contained in this newsletter

- Agenda for the weekend
- Engraving of medals at \$4 per medal will be available after midday Saturday at servery.
- We are endeavouring to have a Physiotherapist and Doctor on duty at all times.
- Timed programme of events will be on website of NZSSAA by Monday am 29th November.
- Places reserved for Bendigo athletes and programme issues.
- With the prospect of 22 hours of sunshine come prepared. While we will have sunscreen available at four stations make sure that you "SLIP SLOP SLAP AND WRAP this weekend."

Agenda for the weekend

3 December 9.00 through to 3.30 pm school race packs available from the servery at Porritt Stadium and then from 4.00 pm to 6 pm at Lecture Theatre 1 Waikato University and after 7 pm from the servery at Porritt Stadium again until approx 9 pm.

4.00 pm Managers Meeting where all Managers are expected to attend.
NZSSAA Annual General Meeting will follow the Managers Meeting. All are welcome. Light refreshments will follow the meeting.

6.00 pm –8.30 pm Opening Ceremony College Games with Olympic Gold medalist Sir Murray Halberg as quest speaker. Meet some of NZ's top Olympic and World Class athletes and listen to live entertainment including one of the most popular bands at the moment ADEAZE.

There is a HUGE entertainment programme planned EXCLUSIVELY for all College Games athletes at the GAMES VILLAGE University of Waikato 6.30-9.30 pm each night 3rd December through to 5th December. Live DJ, Games room, Chill Out Room and Movies as well as live bands like **LATE 80's MERCEDES** at two showings on Saturday night and **48 MAY** at two showings on Sunday night. FREE to all College Games athletes if you show your ID tag.

New Zealand Secondary School athletes selected by Athletics New Zealand to represent us at the Commonwealth Youth Games in Bendigo Australia.

Because of their late arrival back into Auckland on Saturday the following athletes will have places reserved for them in the following semi finals.

Mathew Brown	SB	100 m	200 m	
Daniel Natusch	SB	100 m		
Graeme Read	SB	100 m	200 m	
Jordan Vandermade	SB	400 m		
Sam Wilson	SB	400 m		
Stacey Linderboom	SG	100 m	200 m	
Jessica Penny	SG	100 m	200 m	100 m Hurdles
Veronica Torr	SG	100 m	200 m	
Regan Higgie	SG	200 m		

Regan will also have a place reserved for her in the OG 300 m Hurdles Final.

These athletes will be additions to the Finals:

Alice Webster	SG	800 m
Katrina Finn	SG	800 m
Scott Nicol	SB	800 m
Carl McKenzie	SB	1500 m
Kate Campbell	SG	1500 m

Programme issues

1. Possible change of Open Boys Pole Vault to Saturday morning at 9 am rather than Sunday afternoon. Please let John Tylden know (tylden@xtra.co.nz) if this change creates a problem for you.
2. Junior Girls 200 m – at the moment there are 9 heats scheduled. Our current progressions would mean that an extra round would be held if we remain at 8 or 9 heats. If scratchings do not bring the number of heats to 7 we will apply a tougher progression as follows:
9 heats 1st 2 and 6 fastest losers
8 heats 1st 2 and 8 fastest losers
3. Senior and Junior Boys 3000 m – we have made the decision to go with straight finals in these events even though numbers are still above the suggested maximum. Experience suggests that scratchings will reduce these fields to an acceptable final size.

Yours in Athletics
Don Willoughby