

SOUTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

- Date** Saturday 28 March and Sunday 29 March 2015 (Hammer Throw Friday 27 March)
- Time** Competition commences 9:00 am each day, concluding approx. 1.00pm Sunday 29 March.
Pole Vault will be held in Christchurch Thursday 26th March at Papanui High School, Langdons Road, Papanui, Christchurch, practice/warm up at 3.00pm. Competition begins 4.00pm.
Hammer Throw Friday 27 March, Saxton Field Athletics Track, Nelson, practice/warmup at 3.00pm. Competition begins 4.00pm.
- Venue** Saxton Field Athletics Track, Nelson
- Entry** Entries will be received online from 9:00 am **Monday March 16 through until close of business at 5pm on Tuesday 24 March.**
- Entry is through Regional Selectors only unless otherwise arranged.
- Para Athletes** **Grades, Categories and Classification changes.**
- There have been changes developed for Para-Athletes (previously AWD) events at the South Island Secondary Schools' Athletic Championship. These changes were ratified at the 2014 AGM. There will be two age grades: **Junior (under 16 years) and Senior (16 years and over)**, and two divisions, Intellectually Impaired Athletes, and Physically and/or Visually Impaired Athletes. **Age for Para Athletes is age as at 31st of December of year of competition** (i.e. 2015 this time). **All entrants must apply for a Provisional Classification from Paralympics N.Z. to be eligible to compete.** If you already have a Paralympics Provisional or Full Classification you do not need to re-apply.
- Physically and/or Visually Impaired athletes consist of 5 classification groups: Visually impaired, Short Stature, Cerebral Palsy, Amputees /Others, and Wheelchair user. All will compete together with results being calculated as a percentage of the world record for their Paralympic classifications.
- Further information on these changes is on our website www.sporttasman.org.nz/secondary along with the **Provisional Classification forms** which can be downloaded, filled out and **must reach Paralympics N.Z. before the deadline of Monday 9th March.** The forms are also available from the Paralympics N.Z web site: www.paralympics.org.nz
- N.B. waiting to see if you are selected for the SISSAC team before applying for Provisional Classification is too late! Do it at the time you enter your school champs, or before. You can do it now if you wish.***

Scratchings

Any scratchings made after on-line entries close, should be handed in at the Managers Meeting on the Friday evening or by 8.30am on the Saturday morning, for those not in Nelson on the Friday night.

NOTE: Scratchings made at this time must be scratchings from all events, individual event scratchings are not permitted at this stage.

Cost

There will be an entry fee of \$10 per athlete to be invoiced to your school following the meet. Athletes who withdraw from the meet without following scratching protocols will also pay the entry fee. No gate entry fee on the day for athletes, officials or spectators.

Managers meeting

This has been scheduled for **6:00pm Friday 27 March in the Saxton Oval Lounge** adjacent to the Saxton Field Athletics Track. **This will be followed by the AGM of the South Island Athletics Teachers Association at approx. 6:30pm.**

Accommodation

Saxton Field is located between Stoke and Richmond, a 10-15 minute drive (10km) from the centre of Nelson. You may wish to find accommodation in Stoke, Richmond or Nelson all of which have suitable amenities (supermarkets, shops etc.).

A couple of options include:

Nelson City Holiday Park, 230 Vanguard Street, (03) 548 1445 www.nelsonholidaypark.co.nz
Saxton Lodge, 103 Saxton Rd East, Stoke, Nelson, (03) 547 1375
www.saxtonlodge.co.nz

Or contact Nelson i-site visitor info centre: Ph: 03 548 2304 Email: Nelsoncity@nelsonnz.com

Programmes

A copy of the **programme, will be available on our website from 9am Thursday 26 March. In an attempt to make the paper programme as accurate as possible this will not be printed until Friday 27 March.**

Copies of the printed programme will be available to schools at the managers meeting

Order of Events

Pole Vault will be held in Christchurch on Thursday 26th March at Papanui High School, Langdons Road, Papanui, Christchurch, practice/warm up at 3.00pm. Competition begins 4.00pm

Hammer Throw will be held at Saxton Field Athletics Track, Nelson Friday 27 March 4.00pm
We will have the order of events on the Tasman Secondary School website as soon as possible in Term 1 2015. <http://www.sporttasman.org.nz/secondary>

School marquees

Schools are invited to bring a marquee to put up on the grass bank. If you would like to book a spot please contact the Regional Sport Director. Note: Marquees left overnight are at your own risk. If you are bringing a marquee/gazebo email Jeni Nunn by 23 March 2015 to be included in the site plan for positioning of these. Jeni.n@sporttasman.org.nz

First Aid

We ask that all team managers have a first aid kit for their team for minor injuries.
First aid services will be on site in case of emergencies

Organisational Timeline

March 9	Monday	Call for remits to AGM
March 16	Monday	Online entry system available Remits for AGM close 3:00pm
March 16	Monday	Information 2 emailed to schools via Regional Sports Directors and posted on Tasman Secondary School website http://www.sporttasman.org.nz/secondary and NZSSSC website
March 24	Tuesday	On line entries close at 5:00pm
March 26	Thursday	Pole Vault competition in Christchurch, 3.00pm
March 27	Friday	Hammer Throw competition in Nelson 4.00pm Managers meeting 6:00pm Saxton Oval lounge adjacent to Athletics track. Managers pack distributed. Late scratchings notified (this must be done by start of Managers meeting). AGM of SI Athletics Teachers Association
March 28	Saturday	Championships commence at 9:00am
March 29	Sunday	Championships conclude approx. 1.00pm

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