

# South Island Secondary Schools Athletics Championships

## Preliminary Information

**Date:** Friday 31st -2nd April 2023

**Venue:** Surrey Park Athletics Track, Invercargill

**Time:** Friday 3pm -5pm, Saturday 9am – 5pm, Sunday 9am -12pm

**Entry:** Entries will be received online from 9am Monday 20th March through until 9am Monday 27th March.

Aoraki, Canterbury, West Coast and Tasman entries must be entered by regional selectors only. Otago and Southland entries will be received from individual schools.

**Scratchings:** Any scratchings made after on-line entries close, should be: emailed to [info@southlandschoolsport.org.nz](mailto:info@southlandschoolsport.org.nz) before 1pm on Thursday 30th March or, handed in at the start of the managers meeting on the Friday evening or, by 8.30am on Saturday morning, for those not in attendance on Friday night.

**NOTE: SCRATCHINGS MADE AFTER ONLINE ENTRIES CLOSE MUST BE SCRATCHINGS FROM ALL EVENTS,** individual event scratching's 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. There will be NO gate charge on the day for this event.

### **Managers Meeting**

This has been scheduled for 6:00pm Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March at the ILT Stadium Lounge 4  
This will be followed by the AGM of the South Island Athletics Teachers Association at approx. 6:30pm.

### **Accommodation:**

We recommend booking early to avoid disappointment. A range of accommodation options are available at [www.accommodationinvercargill.co.nz](http://www.accommodationinvercargill.co.nz) and [www.southlandnz.com](http://www.southlandnz.com)

### **Programmes:**

A copy of the order of events is included with this information document. This will also be published on the SSNZ website early in 2023

A named programme will be available shortly after events close on Monday 27th March  
Copies of the printed programme will be available to schools at the managers meeting and on the Saturday.

### **Specifications:**

A copy of the specifications, implement weights etc. is included with this document. A copy is also available on the SSNZ website

### **PARA Athletes:**

Grades, Categories and Classification - There will be two age grades Under 16 and Under 21, and two divisions, Intellectually Impaired Athletes, and Physically and/or Visually Impaired Athletes. All entrants must apply for a Provisional Classification from Paralympics NZ 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. Visit the PARALYMPICS NZ website for further information on the Provisional Classification forms. These forms can be downloaded, filled out and must reach Paralympics N.Z. before the deadline of Friday 11th March.

### **Health & safety**

A Health and Safety Action plan, together with a Risk Management plan will be available on the SSNZ websites from early February 2023

All team managers to have a first aid kit for minor injuries. A physiotherapist will be in attendance

### **Dispensation Criteria**

Sent to RSD'S to forward to schools and collate by the 17<sup>th</sup> March and then forward to Southland Sec School Sport by 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

### **Organisational Timeline:**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb Preliminary information distributed to RSD'S to forward to schools.

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March Call for remits to AGM

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March Remits for AGM close

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March Dispensation applications to be received from RSD's

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March Online entries OPEN

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March Online entries close

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March Surrey Park Track open 1pm

Managers meeting 6:00pm ILT Stadium Lounge 4 Late scratching's notified.

AGM of SI Athletics Teachers Association, 6:30pm

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April Championships commence at 9:00am

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Championships conclude approx. 12 noon.