

I.S.F. World Secondary School Cross Country Champs 2016

<u>The Event</u>

NZSSAA intend to take a full team to the ISF World Secondary Schools Cross Country Champs in Hungary 2016. This would include athletes in the following teams:

- <u>A New Zealand Girls team</u> 6 female runners from throughout the country
- <u>A New Zealand Boys team</u> 6 male runners from throughout the country
- <u>A New Zealand Girls school team</u> 6 female runners from the same school
- <u>A New Zealand Boys school team</u> 6 male runners from the same school

Each team consists of six athletes and selection will largely be based on results of the 2015 National Secondary School Cross Country Champs in Dunedin although other performances may be taken into consideration. To be eligible for this event athletes must be born in either 1998, 1999, 2000 or 2001 (Please note that this is a change from previous years and now allows for Under 19 on January 1st 2016 athletes to attend). This means that eligible athletes will be spread across both the senior and junior grades at our National Cross Country Champs. As in previous years NZSSAA would plan the tour with all athletes traveling together as one team.

Cost of the Trip

Early estimates expect the cost of this trip to be no more than \$6500 for each athlete (school team managers will be given a reduced rate) this includes airfares, accommodation, travel insurance, a comprehensive team uniform, meals, sightseeing and other activities. Any savings will be passed on to athletes by the overall cost being reduced. Any athletes who made the NZ Paper Team are eligible to apply for a \$500 grant towards the trip.

Travel dates

The timing of the event fits idealy with the 2016 school term holiday breaks $(15^{th} \text{ April} - 1^{st} \text{ May})$ therefore minimising time out of school. It is likely that the team will depart on Wednesday 13^{th} April and return on Friday 29th April 2016.

Management

Michelle Pollard (NZSSAA Secretary) – Tauranga Girls' College

Brad Smith (NZSSAA Treasurer) – Tauranga Boys' College



Accommodation

Accommodation in London has been booked at MeinInger Hyde Park, 65 - 67 Queen's Gate. This hotel has been chosen for its close proximity to Hyde Park for training as well as It's clean and modern rooms offered at an affordable rate.

Approximate itinerary outline

Wednesday 13 th April:	AM Domestic travel in the morning	
	PM Depart from Auckland International Airport	
Thursday 14 th – Thursday 21 st April:	Team based in London.	
Thursday 26 th April:	Flights to Budapest.	
Thursday 21 st – Tuesday 26 th April:	Team hosted in Budapest, Hungary.	
Tuesday 26 th April:	Flights to Dubai.	
Tuesday 26 th – Thursday 28 th April:	Team based in Dubai.	
Thursday 28 th April:	Return flight to Auckland.	
Friday 29 th April:	Team returns to Auckland to connect with domestic flights.	

Applications

Please complete the accompanying application form and return to the address stated by Saturday 4th July.

Should you have any further questions please contact Michalle Pollard NZSSAA Secretary mpollard@tgc.school.nz

Michelle Pollard

Brad Smith



NZSSAA ISF World Cross Country Champs 2016 School Team Application form

Please note that completeing this form does not mean that selection is confirmed.

School:

Coach / Manager:

School phone number:

Coach / Manager mobile:

Email:

Please list your most likely team of six. All runners to have competed for your school in the NZSSAA XC championships in Dunedin.

RANK	NAME	D.O.B. Must be born in '98, '99, '00 or '01	NZSSAA XC 2015 age group	NZSSAA XC 2015 placing
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
6.				

Please list any athlete who would normally be in your team, and might have strengthened it, but not compete through illness or injury at the NZSSAA XC champs; and give details of other performances.

OTHER	NAME	D.O.B. Must be born in '98, '99, '00 or '01	NZSSAA XC 2015 age group	NZSSAA XC 2015 placing
1.				
2.				

Other notable achievements/ performances in 2015 that the selectors should be aware of:



New Zealand Secondary Schools Athletics Association

If successful in <u>applying</u> to be part of the NZSSAA Cross Country team that will complete at the I.S.F. World Secondary School Cross Country Champs the school agrees to the following:

Management

- 1. That I remain under the control and management of the Team Manager in all respects from the time of departure or at the time I join with the Team Manager to the time that I return to New Zealand and will comply with all reasonable instructions given by the manager during that period. If I wish to the leave the group at any time I will ask permission from Team Management and follow their rules.
- 2. I understand that if I fail to follow the rules given to me by Team Management, he/she has power to take disciplinary action, and in the extreme case this may mean I am sent home to New Zealand.

Uniforms

3. That I will wear the official team uniform as supplied by NZSSAA at any time that is deemed appropriate by the Team Management. This uniform is not to be worn incorrectly or disfigured in any way.

Health and Fitness

4. I will inform NZSSAA, or the Team Manager immediately of any injury or illness encountered before or after team departure. I will also inform Team Management of any medication I am taking.

Conduct

 As a representative and ambassador of New Zealand my conduct at all times will be that expected of a mature sensible person. Respect for other people and property is acknowledged. As this is a Schools Team, I understand that school rules will apply in terms of conduct including no alcohol, drugs or smoking.

Cost

6. The school is aware the cost will be approximately \$42,00.00 for six athletes and a manager.

Signed (Team Manager / Coach):	 Date:
Signed (School Principal):	 Date:

Please note that completeing this form does not give automatic selection. Athletes will be informed of their selection by a member of the NZSSAA Executive committee.

Once complete please email or post this form to NZSSAA Secretary Michelle Pollard by <u>Saturday 4th</u> <u>July 2015.</u>

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