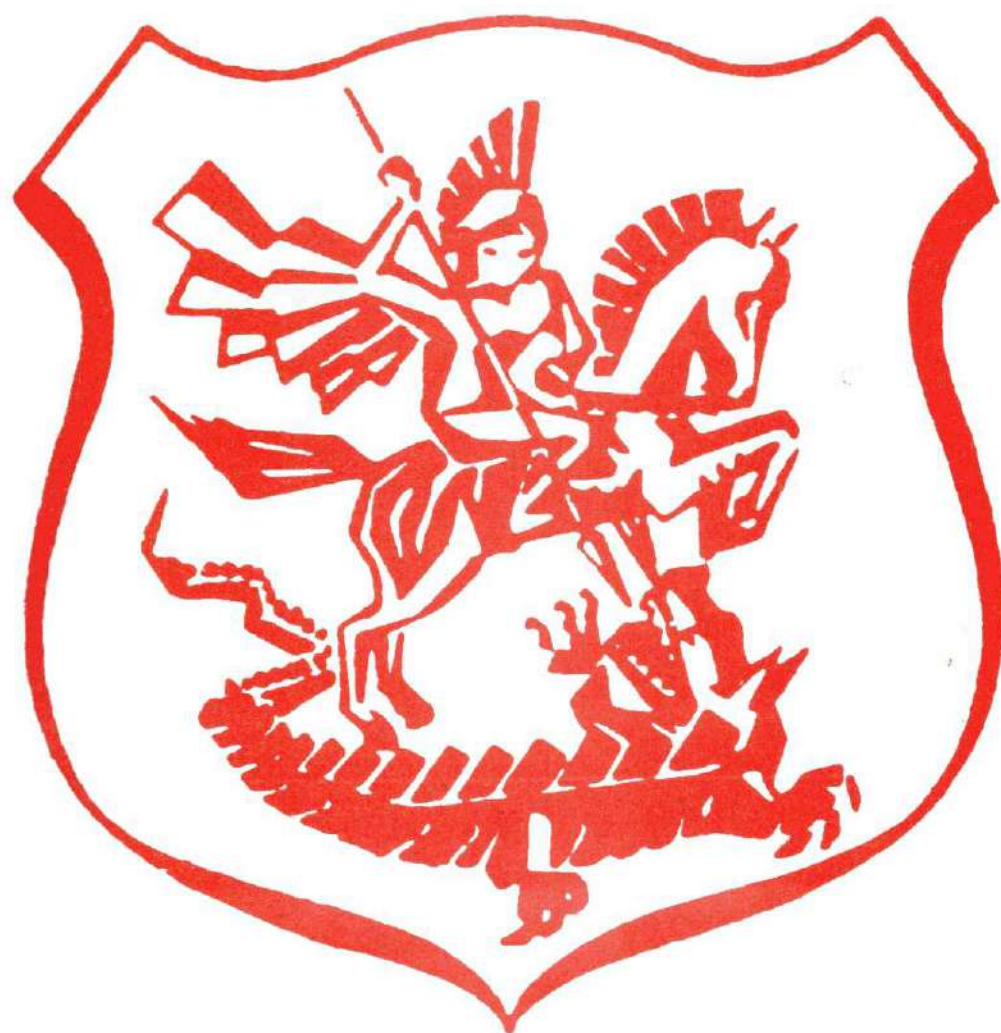


St George

Little Athletics Centre Inc.



32nd Annual Report
2002 - 2003

ST. GEORGE LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE INC.

32ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PENSHURST R.S.L. CLUB, PENSHURST

Wednesday, 14th May, 2003

A G E N D A

1. Distribution of:
 - Minutes of AGM held on 15th May, 2002
 - 32nd Annual Report
2. President's Opening Address
3. Presentation of Life Membership
4. Apologies
5. Acceptance of Minutes of 2002 Annual Report & Balance Sheet
6. Presentation of 32nd Annual Report & Balance Sheet
7. Adoption of 32nd Annual Report & Balance Sheet
8. Addresses by Invited Guests
9. Election of Executive Council for 2003/2004
10. Vote of thanks to Returning Officer
11. General Business
12. Meeting Close
13. Supper

ST. GEORGE LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

14th May, 2003

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Invitations to the AGM sent to:

Mr. John Burne, Chairman, The Board of Management,
Little Athletics Association. of NSW
CEO Little Athletics Association of NSW
Mr. Kevin Greene, NSW State Govt. Member for Georges River
The Mayor, Hurstville City Council
Mr. Philip Sansom, Councillor, Peakhurst Ward, Hurstville City Council
Mrs. Beverly Giegerl, Councillor, Penshurst Ward, Hurstville City Council
Mr. Terry O'Neill, Zone Co-Ordinator, South Met. Zone, Little Athletics
Mr. Albie Thomas, President, St. George District Athletics Club
Helensburgh Little Athletics Inc.
Illawong Athletics Inc.
Port Hacking Little Athletics Centre Inc.
Revesby Workers Little Athletics Centre Inc.
Sutherland Little Athletics Centre Inc.
St. George Little Athletics Life Members (18 letters)
Mrs Melanie Gavric
Mrs Julie Upton
Mr John Clark
Friday Night helpers without children:
Mrs Lynne Whatman (Life Member)
Mr & Mrs Peter Rooke, Mr Ray Horton (Life Member),
Mr Ben Tinker (Life Member), Mr Gill Baes (Life Member),
Mr Roger Malcolm (Life Member), Mr Peter Tusiak (coach)

CORRESPONDENCE IN *(at time of printing report)*

The Mayor, Hurstville Council-inability	Mr John Dodson-acceptance
Mr Philip Sansom-inability	Mr Peter & Beth Rooke-acceptance
Mrs Beverly Giegerl-inability	The Board of Management, LAANSW
Mr Kevin Greene-acceptance	-acceptance by Mr John Burne
Mr & Mrs Fred Scott-acceptance	LAANSW - CEO Kerry O'Keefe - acceptance
Mr Ray Horton-acceptance	Mr Terry O'Neill-acceptance
Mr Roger Malcolm-acceptance	Mr Ian Sheerin-inability
Illawong LAC-acceptance	Mrs Melanie Gavric-inability
Sutherland LAC-acceptance	Mrs Gwen Taylor-acceptance
Port Hacking LAC-acceptance	Mr Peter Tusiak-acceptance
Revesby Workers-acceptance	Mrs Mabs Errington-inability
Helensburgh LAC-acceptance	Mrs Julie Upton-acceptance
Mr Albie Thomas-acceptance	Mr Byron Griffiths-inability
Mr Ben Tinker-acceptance	
Mr John Clark-acceptance	
Mr & Mrs Coral & Albert Ferraro-acceptance	

ST. GEORGE LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE INC

**MINUTES OF 31ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 15TH MAY, 2002
PENSHURST RSL CLUB**

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The President opened the meeting at 8.05pm and welcomed everyone present. (54 as per attendance book)

2. PRESIDENT'S OPENING ADDRESS – as per the Annual Report

3. PRESENTATION OF LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

Gil Baes, Roger Malcolm, Lynne Whatman

4. APOLOGIES

Gil Baes, Mayor of Hurstville City Council, Phillip Sansom, Ian Sheerin, Janet Gorman, Bronwyn Pemberton, Max Wilkinson.

5. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Minutes of the 30th Annual General Meeting, held on 9.5.2001 were accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Ben Tinker Seconded: Ray Horton Carried

6. PRESENTATION OF 31ST ANNUAL REPORT & BALANCE SHEET

7. ADOPTION OF 31ST ANNUAL REPORT & BALANCE SHEET

Motion moved that the 2001/2002(31st) Annual Report and Balance Sheet be taken as read, adopted as presented, and endorsed.

Moved: Bob Molloy Seconded: Pat Gorman Carried

8. ADDRESSES BY INVITED GUESTS

Kevin Greene – NSW State Govt. Member for Georges River

Kevin congratulated our Club, the individual achievers, and our new Life Members. It was very sad news about Alex Oh passing away and that it is a great loss to our Club. The Under 6 Skills Program is a good idea and worth pursuing in the future because it keeps the children involved with their general fitness etc.

John Burne – Chairman, Board of Management of L.A.C.

John mentioned the sad passing of Alex Oh. John had known Alex for many years in Little Athletics. Little Athletics is good for children to keep them occupied. Our new Life Memberships were a great acknowledgement to those people who put in that extra work in a Club. John mentioned our good State Competition results and that the NSW Team (including our Lauren Bartlett) performed admirably in Adelaide recently.

Port Hacking LAC/Little Athletics Board Member – Heather Mitchell

Heather also mentioned the sad and unexpected loss of Alex Oh. Congratulations to Lauren Bartlett, who was selected from our Club to represent NSW in the Australian Championships. Kayla Jarvis and Mitchell Parkinson were part of

the Trans Tasman Tour in January and a brief account of this event was told. Also Life Memberships were to be congratulated. Our Annual Report looks good so we should send in some photos to LAA NSW for inclusion in the annual Run for Fun Magazine.

Terry O'Neill - South Met. Zone Co-Ordinator

Terry thought that our new Life Memberships were to be congratulated, if not long overdue.

Albie Thomas, President St. George Seniors Club

Congratulations on our Annual Report and to the award winners – some of whom will be winners at the St. George Seniors Annual Presentation Day on 23rd June, 2002. Unfortunately money allocated from our Governments go to the top level/elite athletes. Clubs could not run without the assistance of coaches and volunteers.

Port Hacking L.A.C. – Margaret Alexander

Margaret remarked on the friendship shown at our Zone Meetings and Annual Conferences.

She thanked us for our help at the Zone Carnival, and a good Annual Report presented.

Illawong L.A.C – Graham Kearnes

Graham acknowledged the comradeship in our Club and well done on running a large Centre.

Revesby Workers L.A.C. – Gerry Dupre

Our new Life Memberships were well deserved. Special mention was made of Briannon McLoughlin's Sportsmanship Award. Our Annual Report was well done.

Sutherland L.A.C. – Alison Mansell

Congratulations to Lynne and the Committee for their support and to the contribution the new Life Members have made to the Club.

9. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2002/2003 SEASON

All executive positions were declared vacant.

Fred Scott acted as Returning Officer and conducted the election of officers. Results as follows:

President	-	Lynne Whatman
Vice President	-	Pat Gorman
Vice President	-	Kim Delaney
Treasurer	-	Ray Parkinson
Secretary	-	Penny James
Assistant Secretary	-	Janelle Jarvis
Registrar	-	Glenda McLoughlin
Recorder	-	Janet Gorman
Officer for Championships	-	Ben Tinker
Officer for Officials	-	vacant

Publicity	-	Janet Gorman
Coaching/Education	-	Aldo Giampietro, Tas Kipriotis
Canteen	-	Dennis Howes
Equipment/Ground Maintenance	-	Michael Harris
BBQ	-	Dennis Howes
Uniforms	-	Joanne Hinson
Auditor	-	Bob Molloy

General Committee

Melanie Gavric, David Beck, Mark Player, Cathy Hamer.

The President thanked the Returning Officer for conducting the election of officers.

10. The President closed the meeting at 9.05pm and invited all present to enjoy the supper being served.

LIFE MEMBERS

Fred Scott	1975	Margaret Zerzvadse (deceased)	1988
Bev Scott	1976	Lou Bulian	1990
Peter Williams	1976	Carol Berrell	1991
Mabs Errington	1979	Alex Oh (deceased)	1991
Gwen Taylor	1981	Lindsay Watson	1991
Ray Horton	1981	Barbara Lea	1991
Bob Molloy (deceased)	1982	Albert & Coral Ferraro	1992
Byron Griffiths	1984	Graham Hawkes	1996
Paul Reeves	1986	Terry O'Neill	1999
Joe Watchorn	1986	Ben Tinker	1999
Bonnie West	1986	John Dodson	2000
Bill L'Strange	1987	Gill Baes	2001
Bill Cruickshank	1987	Roger Malcolm	2001
Ian Sheerin	1988	Lynne Whatman	2001

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with great pleasure that I welcome everyone here, our invited guests, life members, friends and club members, to celebrate our 32nd year at St George and also participate in our Annual General Meeting.

The 2002/2003 season was very exciting for our Club as we now have a fully surveyed 9 lane 400 metre track. We purchased a new three-lane line marker to mark the track as Council no longer undertake to perform this task for us. The ASAP Program was expanded to include our Under 7 athletes as well as the Under 6 athletes. Our thanks to Kathy Hamer for her continued commitment to this program. All the children enjoy learning skills to help their athletics. This year we introduced three marshal's positions for the track and a ticket system for the long jump pits. Both these initiatives helped the program run smoothly.

This season St George LAC requested two days of school visits. This was intended to help the schools appreciate the assistance available to them through LAANSW and our registrations increased directly by approximately 40 athletes. In October, St George hosted an Orientation to Coaching Day. Seven of our parent helpers completed this course and their skills gained, greatly assisted our athletes.

St George LAC also took part in Westfield's 'Support Your Sport.' We gained 8th place and received approximately \$800 worth of goods from Reebok.

Thankyou to all our athletes. We maintained excellent attendance and participation throughout the season having more than half attending to the last night. This year our Under 15 age group was an exceptional group of young people who set a high standard of sportsmanship and participation. The way in which they competed and encouraged each other is an example for our younger athletes to follow. Thankyou to their Age Manager Melanie Gavric for her commitment.

All athletes competed in all disciplines in safety. This year again saw many athletes achieve excellent results, not only many personal bests but also a number of ground and centre records along the way. I would not normally single out athletes but I must recognise the results of two of our athletes. Shannon Delaney achieved personal bests each time he ran and has been selected as a targeted athlete by NSW Institute of Sport as a Distance Emerging Athlete. Shannon was our Champion Boy Athlete and the full details of his season's results are elsewhere in the Annual Report. The second is Robert Lister who broke the 1500 metre ground record held since 1974 by one of our current parents, Mark Hannon, then the Centre Record also held since 1974 was broken at State. St George athletes competed at State Relays, State Multi, Zone, Region and State Carnivals, State Cross Country and Road Walks, as well as a number of other Gala days, in particular the Dragon Derby at St Georges Basin. This year a smaller Preston, Victoria team visited St George. We retained the Cup.

The season finished on a high note at the State Competition with our 23 athletes receiving 5 gold, 4 silver and 3 bronze medals. Many personal best performances were achieved that weekend. Congratulation to all our athletes. Our red and white featured in many disciplines over the weekend, however middle and long distance runners featured strongly this year.

Our thanks to all the parents who assisted on Friday nights, setting up and putting away, age managing, judging, timing, marshalling, marking, retrieving, recording, serving in the canteen and at the BBQ and all the myriad of other tasks required to run a large centre like St George. We cannot function as a centre unless we all volunteer and work together. Thankyou helpers.

Our thanks also to those officials who although they have no children competing at St George continue to assist us, many every Friday night: Gil Baes, Jan Dodd, Katie Dodd, Ray Horton, Roger Malcolm, Peter Rooke and Ben Tinker. Thankyou also to Fred Scott who updates and maintains our excellent Website.

Hurstville Council, and in particular Andrew Sharpe, have again been particularly helpful this season. As mentioned previously a 400 metre track was surveyed and marked, the triple jump run up was replaced and the other run ups cleaned and the pits kept full of sand. They also very quickly replaced the roller shutter doors after the break-in.

Thankyou also to Penshurst RSL who have provided us with the use of their facilities during the season.

Finally thankyou and congratulations to the Executive and Committee of St George for another successful year. I will not mention any by name as each has contributed in so many ways and I would not like to omit anyone. We do extend particular thanks tonight to Jan and Mark Player and Melanie and Branko Gavric whose children have now finished Little Athletics. We can celebrate another successful year, our children have competed safely and well, our finances are in good order and we have had fun and fellowship.

I wish 2003/2004 Executive and committee every success for the coming season.

LYNNE WHATMAN



Some of St George LAC Executive at the Presentation of the Volunteer Award to Lynne by Hurstville Council.

St. George Little Athletics Centre Inc.

Statement of Income and Expenditure For the Year Ended March 31, 2003

Income	2003 <u>Actual</u>	2002 <u>Actual</u>
	\$	\$
Registration	31,810	34,548
Canteen	13,889	15,187
BBQ	14,970	15,207
Sponsor & Donations	0	100
Uniforms	12,578	11,670
Interest	679	800
Preston Fund Raising	0	5,427
Other	1,760	0
	<u>75,685</u>	<u>82,939</u>
Expenditure		
Registration Fees and Resignations	14,870	14,254
Canteen	9,205	9,622
BBQ	8,135	7,916
Uniforms Purchases	9,167	10,666
Annual General Meeting	1,718	1,856
Bank Charges	234	362
Electricity	520	247
Equipment	5,504	11,269
Ground Marking	2,186	532
Insurance	1,464	1,384
Park Fees	1,328	800
End of Season Presentation	224	493
Postage	38	16
Printing & Stationery	4,603	1,980
State Conference	779	956
Sundry Expenses including Course Fees	2,374	1,641
Telephone	50	100
Competitions	1,816	0
Trophy	6,182	6,638
Preston Expenses	<u>363</u>	<u>10,347</u>
	70,758	81,079
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	<u><u>4,927</u></u>	<u><u>1,860</u></u>

St. George Little Athletics Centre Inc.

Balance Sheet **As at March 31, 2003**

	2003 <u>Actual</u>	2002 <u>Actual</u>
Current Assets		
	\$	\$
St. George Bank - General Account	22,637	13,473
St. George Bank - Term Deposit	14,256	13,901
St. George Bank - Preston Account	1,140	8,348
Perpetual Trustee - Term Deposit	5,124	4,936
Petty Cash	50	50
Inventory - Uniforms	8,215	10,833
Other Debtors	0	575
Total Current Assets	<u>51,423</u>	<u>52,116</u>
 Total Assets	 <u><u>51,423</u></u>	 <u><u>52,116</u></u>
 Current Liabilities		
 Accrued Liabilities		5,620
Total Current Liabilities	<u>0</u>	<u>5,620</u>
 Equity		
Opening Balance	46,496	44,636
Current Year Surplus / (Deficit)	4,927	1,860
Closing Balance	51,423	46,496
Total Liabilities & Equity	<u><u>51,423</u></u>	<u><u>52,116</u></u>

2003 Preston Challenge

Statement of Income and Expenditure For the Year Ended March 31, 2003

	2003 <u>Actual</u>	2002 <u>Actual</u>
Income		
	\$	\$
Raffles, BBQ & Meat Tasting	0	2255
Donation - Service Clubs & Parents	0	1770
Chocolate sales	0	1400
Centre Payment	0	930
Interest	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
	3	6357
Expenditure		
Bank Charges	0	1
Hamper	0	36
Chocolate purchases	0	700
Air Fares	0	7391
T-Shirts/Screen Printing	<u>0</u>	<u>2219</u>
	0	10347
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u><u>3</u></u>	<u><u>(3,990)</u></u>

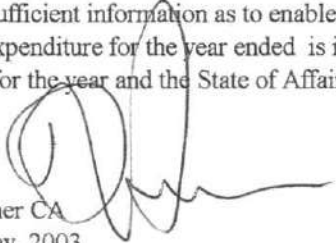
2003 Preston Challenge Bank Account

As at March 31, 2003

	\$	\$
Opening Balance	8,348	1,992
Total Fund Raised	0	3,655
Centre Payment	0	930
Donations	0	1,770
Interest	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
	8,351	8,349
Less:		
Transfer to General Account	<u>7,211</u>	<u>1</u>
Closing Balance *	<u><u>1,140</u></u>	<u><u>8,348</u></u>

Auditor's Report

I report that I have examined the Books and Records of the St. George Little Athletics Centre Inc. for the year ended March 31, 2003 and have received sufficient information as to enable me to form an opinion that the above Statement of Income & Expenditure for the year ended is in accordance with those records and fairly presents the activities for the year and the State of Affairs of the Centre at 31 March 2003.


 David Hamer CA
 11th of May, 2003

TREASURER'S REPORT

The 2002/2003 season has seen a number of changes, one of those being a new treasurer. With the passing last year of our long standing treasurer, Alex Oh, and then our interim treasurer, Bob Malloy from the Senior Club, the club has to some extent stepped forward into a brave new world.

Our Auditor for the 2001/2002 season suggested a number of improvements to our accounting systems. These have all been included in the 2002/2003 accounts. These included a return to a simple turnover based accounting system rather than one which allows for accruals, the use of cheques for almost all payments to replace a large petty cash system and an improved level of accounting for the clubs Annual Preston Reservoir interstate challenge.

Whilst many of these changes are behind the scenes, I am pleased to report a profit for the 2002/2003 financial year.

For an amateur sporting club, St George LAC has a significant financial turnover. The centre spends approximately \$75,000.00 per season. These payments are made on over 220 cheques during the course of the season.

St George LAC draws the majority of its funds from registrations, bar-b-que, canteen and to a lesser extent, uniform sales. In comparison to last year's accounts, income from these areas was reduced overall by approximately \$2,300.00. With two more nights lost due to wet weather this year than last year, the clubs income is comparable to past periods.

Expenditure was reduced this season. The largest reduction in expenditure was from new equipment for the centre. Otherwise, St George LAC has this year absorbed modest increases in park fees, insurance and ground marking expenses. Its largest increase in general expenditure was in printing/stationary and the single largest capital purchase was for new ground marking equipment.

We have, for the first year, included in the final accounts for the centre an assessment of non-current assets. More simply we have accounted for the value of all the equipment owned by the club.

I have a few thanks to extend. Firstly, to all those members of the club who allow me the time and space each Friday night to come into the club from the track and collect my thoughts from that role before we attend to the accounts. These same people also bear a significant financial burden for the club by paying for many of the items that St George LAC purchase regularly before they receive a reimbursement cheque. Whilst we are working on systems to reduce this burden, their generosity to date has been tremendous.

Otherwise, a particular thankyou to our President and Registrar. They have a wealth of knowledge between them. It has been their historical knowledge of the Centre that has allowed the review of previous years accounts with some clarity.

RAY PARKINSON
TREASURER

CHAMPION BOY

SHANNON DELANEY - U/15



Shannon is an athlete we are going to hear a lot about in the future.

At the State Championships he came 1st in the 800 metres, 1st in the 1500 metres and 1st in the 3000 metres.

At Zone: 1st and Zone Record 800 metres
1st and Zone Record 1500 metres
1st and Zone Record 3000 metres
2nd in Javelin

At Region: 1st and Regional Record 800 metres
1st and Regional Record 1500 metres
1st and Regional Record 3000 metres

Shannon also represented St George at State Relays and set Ground and Centre Records in the 800 metres & 1500 metres.

Also Shannon has been placed on the Elite Sports Programme with the NSW Institute of Sport. We wish him well in his Senior Athletic endeavours. Congratulations on a great year.

CHAMPION GIRL

ZENNIQUE GIAMPIETRO - U/15



With some great results this season Zennique has taken out this award.

At the State Championships she came 2nd in Shot Put and 4th in Discus and also represented in Javelin.

At the Zone Carnival she came 1st in Discus, Shot Put and Javelin.

At Region 1st in Javelin and 3rd in Shot Put and Discus.

At the State Relays she was a member of the U/15 Shot Put - Discus team who came 3rd.

Zennique also came 3rd in our Multi Night and during the season set new Ground records for Shot Put & Discus.

We wish Zennique much success in her Senior Athletic career. She is a worthy winner of this award.

CHAMPION BOY RUNNER UP

(Kurt Landers Award)

NAM CURRIE - NGUYEN - U/14

ALEXANDER HINSON - U/11

(Joint Winners)



Nam is a middle distance runner who with the dedication he has can go a long way in Athletics. At the State Titles he came 3rd in the 800 metres, 4th in the 1500 metres and 7th in the 3000 metres.

At the Zone Carnival 2nd in the 400, 800, 1500 and 3000 metres.

At the Region Carnival 2nd in the 800, 1500 and 3000 metres.

He also represented St George at the State Relays.

Nam has always shown good sportsmanship no matter where he comes in his races. A worthy winner of this award.

Alex won this award with some great results this season.

At the State Championships 3rd in 60 metre hurdles and 5th in Long Jump.

At the Zone Championships 1st in 60 metre hurdles and 5th in Long Jump.

At the Regional Championships 1st in 60 metre hurdles, 2nd in Long Jump, 4th in the 200 metres and 7th in the 100 metres.

Alex also represented at State Relays and State Multi Titles coming in 12th.

He competed for New South Wales in the Trans Tasman competition gaining a 2nd place in Long Jump and the 4 x 100 relay and 3rd in the 100 metres.

Alex also was a member of our Preston Challenge Team.

As can be seen by the events he contested this season he is also a worthy winner of this award.

CHAMPION GIRL

RUNNER UP

(Dianne Holden Award)

NATASHA IOSEFO - U/11

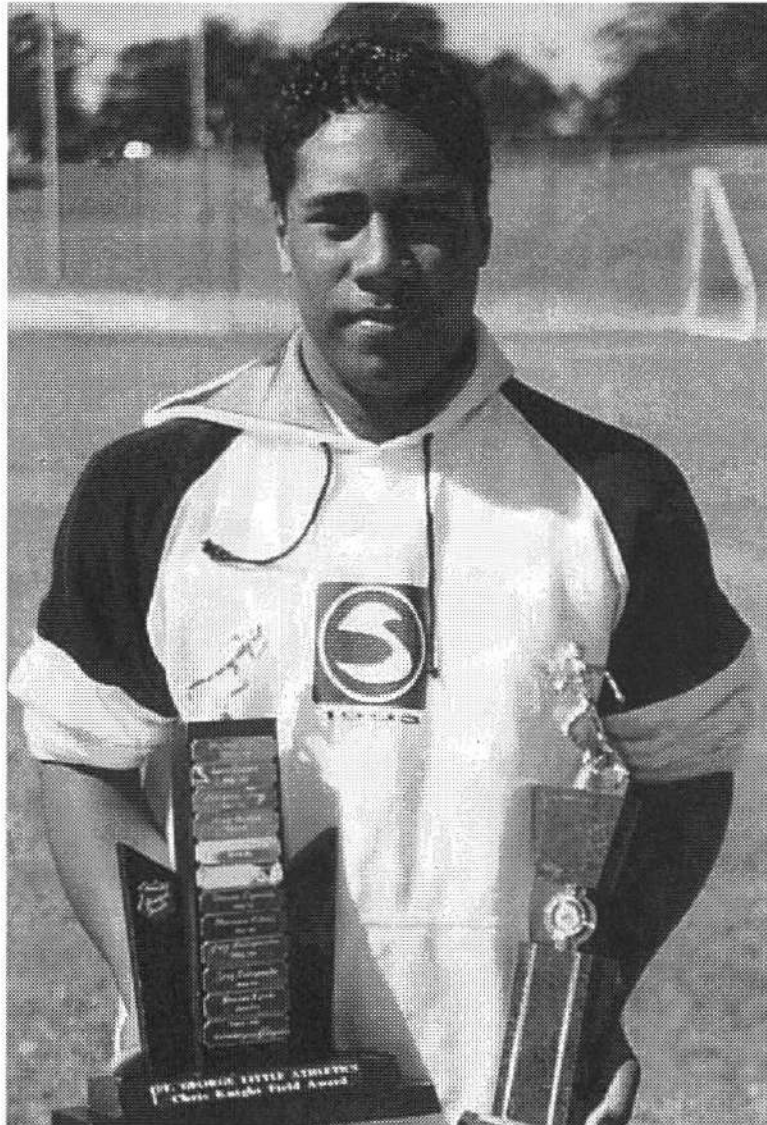


Natasha is an athlete who gives 100% every time she competes even though she is mainly a throws athlete. She will go in all events on a Friday night. At the Zone Championships she came 1st in Shot Put and 2nd in Discus. At the Region Championships she came 1st in Discus and 2nd in Shot Put. At the State Championships she came 3rd in Shot Put. Natasha also represented St George at the State Relay Titles and the State Multi Titles. Natasha has shown herself to be a great competitor and is to be congratulated on her efforts.

FIELD AWARD

(Chris Knight Award)

JOSEPH IOSEFO - U/15



Joseph has taken out this award with some great results this year.

At the Zone Championships he came 1st in Shot Put and Discus and 2nd in Long Jump.

At the Regional Championships 1st in Discus, 2nd in Shot Put and 4th in Long Jump.

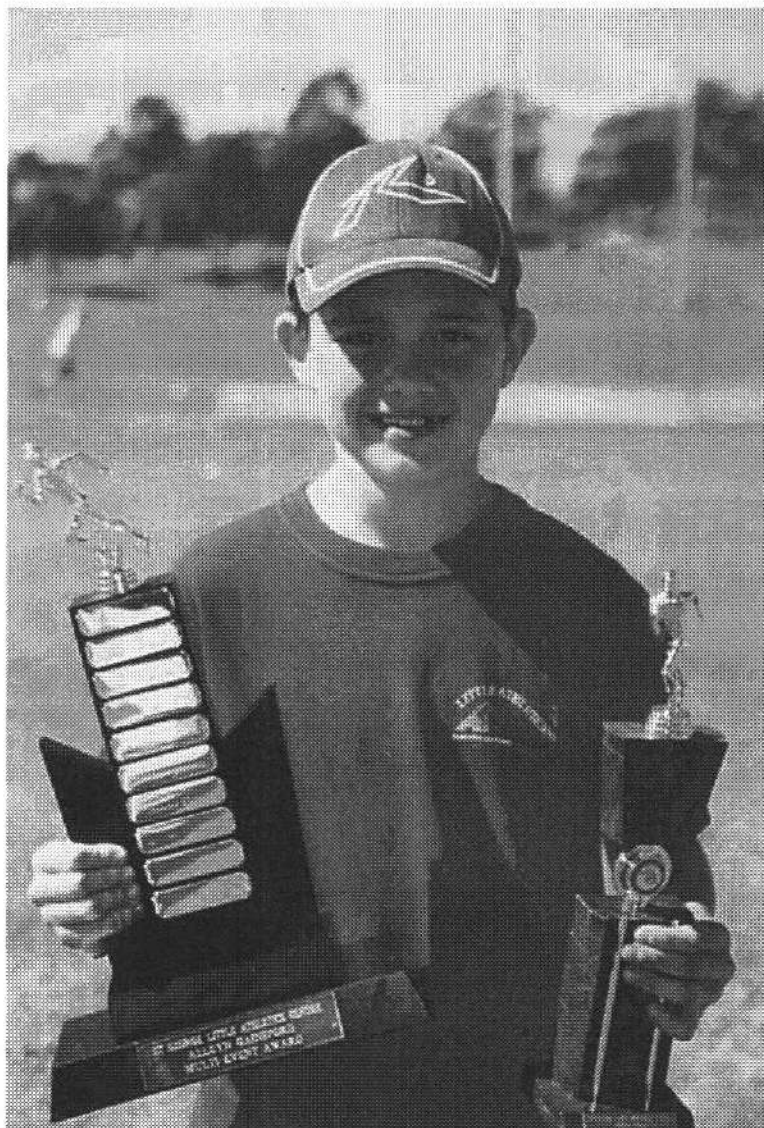
At the State Championships 2nd in Discus and 4th in Shot Put.

Joseph also represented St George at the State Multi Titles and also at the State Relay Titles. He also competed in other Gala Days during the season. Joseph had a terrific season and thoroughly deserves this award.

MULTI-EVENT AWARD

(Alleyyn Gainsford Award)

TOM GOLLINS - U/10

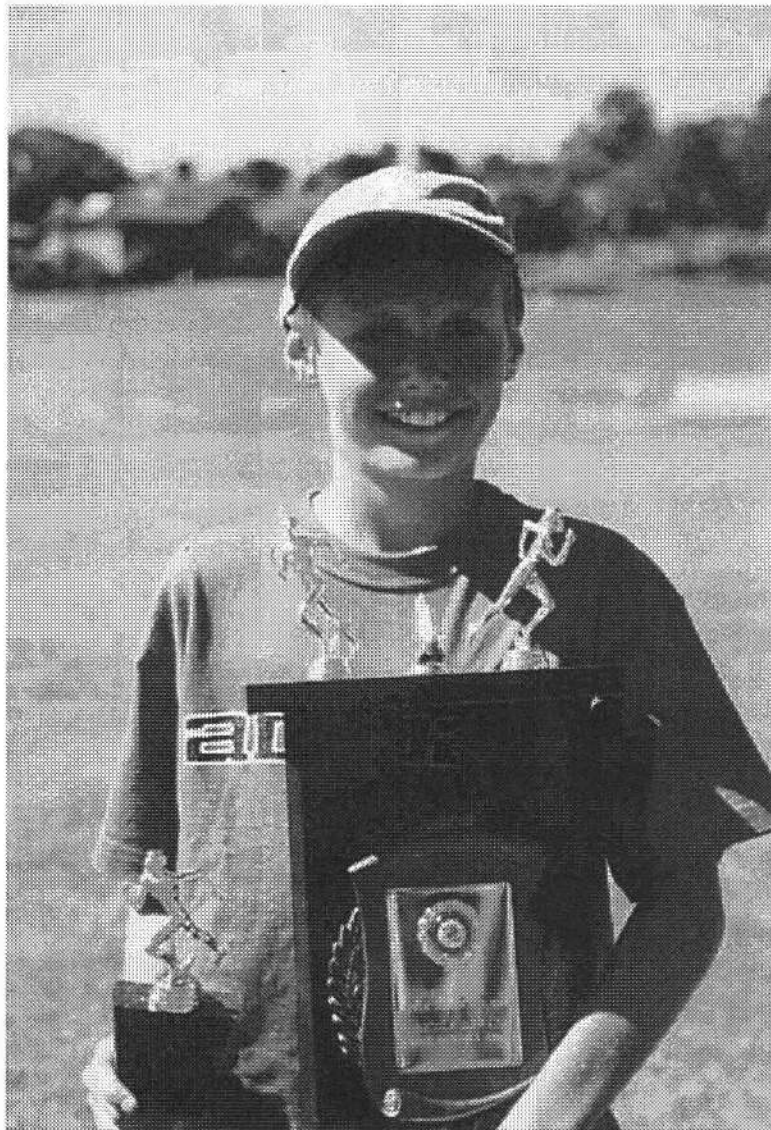


Tom is a young athlete with a top all round athletic ability which has been shown in his results this year. At the State Multi Titles Tom gained a 5th placing against the best U/10 year olds in the State. At the St George Multi Night he won the event by a large margin. At the Zone Championships he came 2nd in the 1500 metres, 3rd in the 800 metres and 4th in the 400 metres. At the Regional Championships he came 4th in the 800 metres, 6th in the 400 metres and 8th in the 1500 metres. He also represented St George at State Relays in the 4 x 400 metres. Tom has shown he has a sound grasp of all events and should go a long way as a multi competitor. Congratulations on a great season.

MIDDLE DISTANCE AWARD

(Nicole Dawes Award)

ROBERT LISTER - U/10



Robert is a middle distance runner with great potential. His continued improvement and never give up attitude against top competition will see him attaining further awards in the future.

At the Zone Carnival he came 1st in the 400, 800 and 1500 metres.

At the Regional Carnival he came 1st in the 800 & 1500 metres and 2nd in the 400 metres.

At the State Carnival he came 3rd in the 1500 metres and 7th in the 800 metres.

During the season Robert broke two of our longest standing 1500 metre records. The Ground Record held by Mark Hannon set in 1974 and the Centre Record also set in 1974.

As you can see a worthy winner of this award.

WALK AWARD

KATRINA BITEZNIK – U/13



Katrina has been St George's number one walker for the last few years and is a deserved winner of this award.

Katrina came 1st in the walk at Zone and 2nd at Region and represented at the State Titles. During the year she also represented at the State Multi Titles and State Relays and set a new Ground record for the walk.

Katrina also came 1st in the U/14 State Youth Championships and competed at the All Schools National Titles.

Congratulations on a great season.

JUNIOR CHAMPION - BOY

ALEX JOHNSTON - U/8
ROBERT PARATORE - U/8
(Joint Winners)



Alex has had a great season in Little Athletics.

At the Zone Carnival he came 1st in the 100 metres & 60 metre Hurdles, 2nd in the 70 metres & 200 metres.

At the Regional Carnival he came 1st in the 200 metres, 2nd in the 60 metre Hurdles and 3rd in the 70 metres & 100 metres.

Alex was also a member of the U/8 State Relay team which gained 3rd place.

Another young athlete who is going to be a force for our Centre in the future.

Robert is another of St George's young athletes who has a great future ahead of him.

At the Zone Carnival he came 1st in the 200 metres, 400 metres and Pack Start and 4th in the 60 metre Hurdles.

At the Regional Carnival 1st in the 400 metres and Pack Start, 3rd in the 200 metres and 5th in the 60 metre Hurdles.

Robert was also a member of the U/8 State Relay team which gained 3rd place.

Robert certainly has the ability to attain further success in the future.

JUNIOR CHAMPION - GIRL

ALICE IOSEFO - U/9



Alice is a field athlete who is going to be a force for our Centre in the future.

At the Zone Championships she came 1st in Shot Put and Discus.

At the Regional Championships 2nd in Shot Put and Discus.

At the State Carnival 2nd in Discus, 5th in Shot Put.

During the season Alice set a new Ground Record and Centre Record for Discus and also broke the Zone Record in Discus. Alice has shown herself to be a great

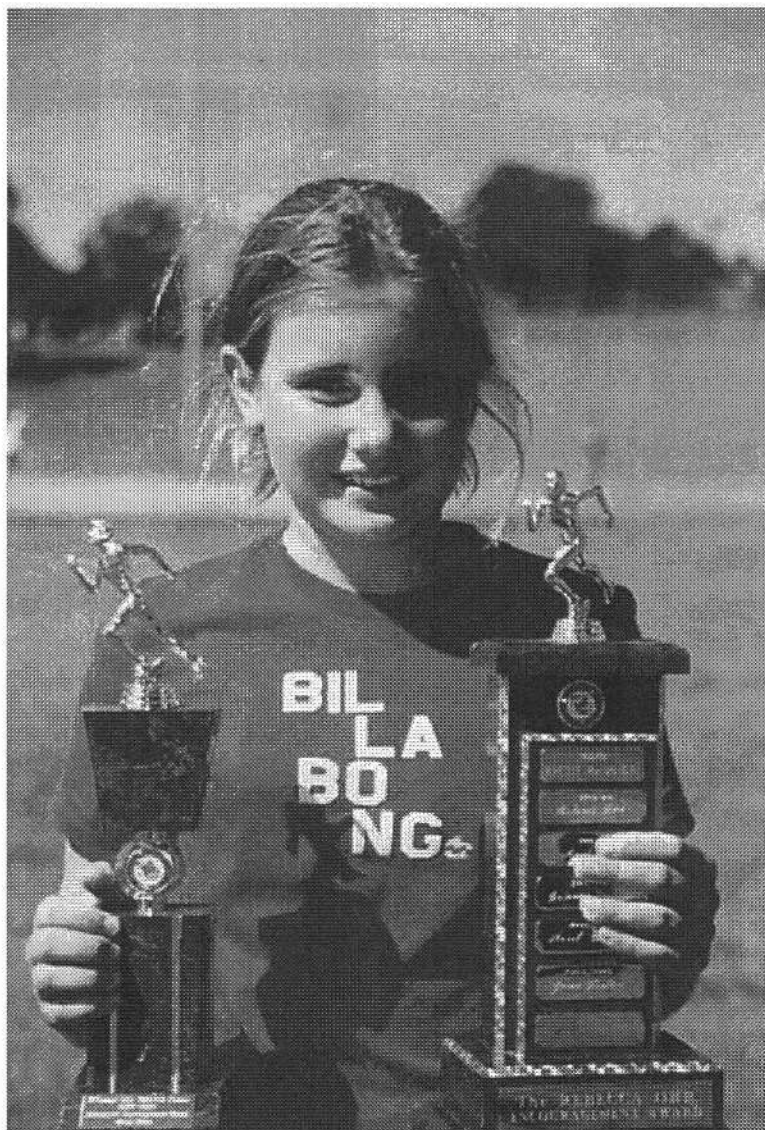
competitor and is to be congratulated on her most consistent performances through the season.

THE REBECCA ORR
ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD - BOY
SCOTT WOODS – U/13



Scott represented St George at the Zone, Region and State Relay Carnivals. He displays good sportsmanship and is a great team member. At the Zone Carnival he came 1st in the 1500 metre walk, 2nd in the Javelin, 3rd in the 200 metre Hurdles and 5th in the 400 metres. Representing in the Walk, Javelin and 200 metres at Region. Scott was also a member of the U/13 Relay team at the State Relay Titles, they came 5th. Next year we hope to see Scott at the State Titles.

THE REBECCA ORR
ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD - GIRL
GRACE LISTER – U/12



Grace represented St George at the Zone Carnival coming 4th in the 60 metre Hurdles and Triple Jump, 5th in the 100 metres and 6th in the 200 metres. She also represented at the Regional Carnival in 60 metre Hurdles and Triple Jump coming 5th. Grace was also Captain of our winning Preston Challenge Team during the season. Grace always tries to the best of her ability. We wish her well for next season.

FRIDAY NIGHT

ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD - BOY

MARC CURRIE-NGUYEN - U/10



Marc participates in all events each week with enthusiasm and always displays a high level of commitment to his performance. He displays good sportsmanship towards the efforts of his peers and a level of modesty in relation to his own achievements which are consistently commendable.

FRIDAY NIGHT

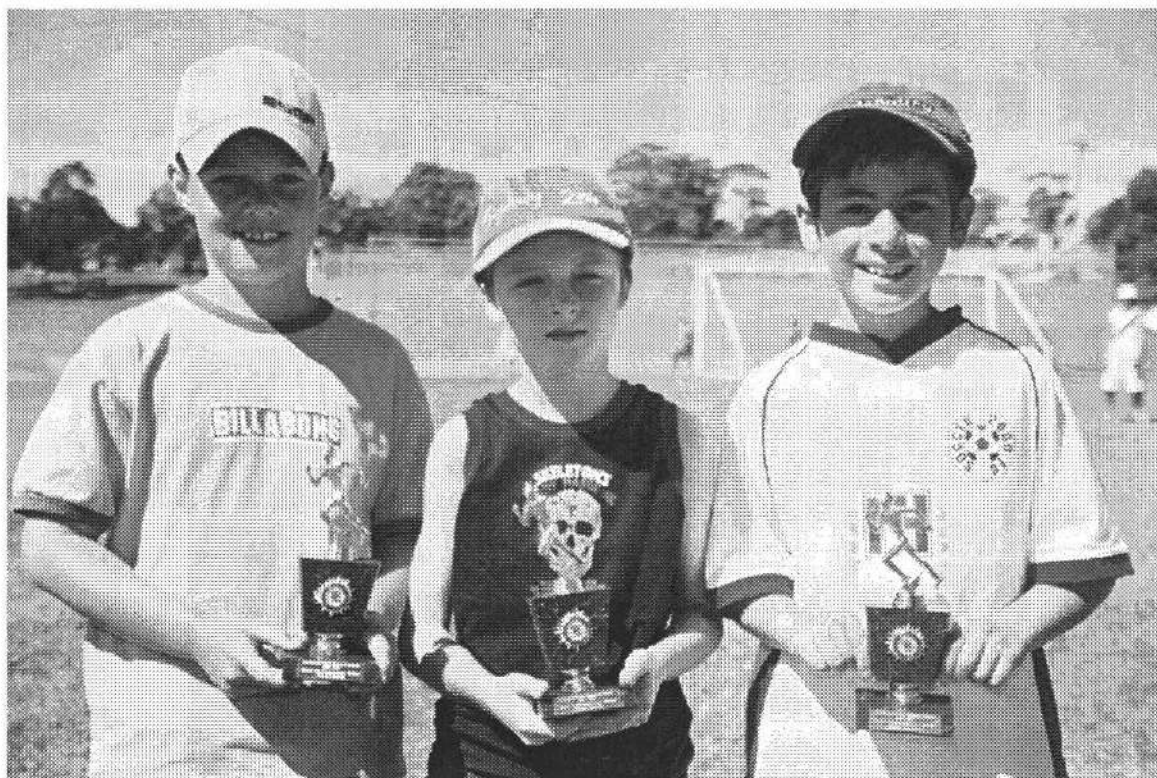
ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD – GIRL

CASSANDRA MANNION – U/11



Cassandra always gives 100% in all events whether it is her strong events or her least favoured. She competes with the spirit that Little Athletics tries to portray which is try your best and have fun at the same time. She has a very good attendance record and is always courteous and willing to help the Age Managers. Congratulations on winning this award.

FRIDAY NIGHT
ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD
RUNNERS UP



MITCHELL PARSONS
STEPHEN KEARSEY

GEORGE LAGOUTARIS
ADRIAN MARKOVSKI

All these U/9 Boys displayed great participation and involvement in every Friday night competition. They were always polite and very helpful for their Age Managers, achieving great results towards the end of competition and constant improvement throughout the season. All boys had a very high attendance record.

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

(Margaret Zerzvadse Award)

U/15's



Our U15 athletes were an outstanding group of young people. On Friday nights they participated in all disciplines, whether they were weak or strong in the events.

At the Zone and Region Carnivals they all attended to encourage and support each other.

They were always polite, helpful and cooperative to the parents and are deserving winners of the Sportsmanship Award.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP - GLENDA McLOUGHLIN

Glenda's involvement in St George Little Athletics began in the 1992/92 season when her two son's registered, Daniel in the U/9's and Matthew in U/6's. Having two young children with her, her first season's involved working in the canteen and at Long Jump. When Briannon registered in 93/94, Glenda was their Age Manager. When Courtney registered in 95/96, Glenda moved to Age Manager of that group.

In the next season 96/97, Glenda was asked to be Registrar, a position she still holds. In this position, However, 'just Registrar' is not the words to describe Glenda's involvement in St George. As a point of interest, in her time as Registrar, Glenda has registered approximately 4000 athletes, that is an average of 570 per season, and Glenda would know the majority of these children. If any one wants to know any details, it's 'Ask Glenda'.



As all her four children have been eligible to be members of the St George Preston Challenge Team, Glenda has committed ten years, four trips to Melbourne and many hours to this activity. In the beginning it was supplying the goodies for the show bags that are exchanged and supporting the fundraising. However, over the years, Glenda has become the main organiser, liaising with the Victorian Managers and organising outings and fundraising, raffles, chocolates, Rotary, Fashion Parades and the infamous Meat Tastings.

Glenda has also been a Manager of a State Relays team, as her children have participated in this event every year. Glenda has represented St George at annual Conference and is currently our Zone Treasurer.

Over her years with St George, Glenda was in the beginning attending Club meetings, and has been a member of the Executive since becoming Registrar. As a member of the executive, it is often Glenda who keeps us on track. When we are tempted to move in a direction that Glenda sees as wrong, she is not afraid to remind us who we are there for, the children and their families.

There are many other ways in which Glenda helps the Club, including assisting in the school visits, the Uniform shop, on Presentation Day and then the follow up to make sure each child receives their trophy and many other behind the scenes support.

Glenda is an extremely valued member of St George Little Athletics Club and it is with great pleasure we award her Life Membership.

LAA NSW VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

It was with great pride that we heard Ray Horton of St George Little Athletics Club announced as the inaugural winner of the LAANSW Volunteer of the Year Award at Annual Conference in Newcastle last year. Ray was presented with a perpetual plaque and an engraved silver platter at the Association meeting at Parramatta on 14th August, 2002.

For those who do not know, Ray has been a continuous volunteer at St George for 27 years. Ray's started in the 1975/76 season when he registered his two eldest boys with St George. During his time the Club has moved residence from Evatt Park, Lugarno to Jubilee Oval, Kogarah, then to Bay Street, Rockdale before moving to our current home at Olds Park, Penshurst and Ray moved with us. Under many difficult and trying circumstances, Ray always had the equipment ready for competition.

When his children left Little Athletics, Ray stayed, and has stayed there ever since. From 1988 to the present season Ray has been the starter of our long distance races.

Ray is one of the first people to arrive on Friday nights. He is there to set up and still there to pack up. In his entire 27 years at St George he has missed only one night of competition. The Club did excuse this, he had to attend his son's engagement in Melbourne and though he tried to have the family wait until Saturday, they insisted they travel on the Friday.

His Little Athletics volunteering has not been restricted to Friday night at St George, he has also been assisted at Zone and Region since 1977. From 1977 to 1981, Ray helped with equipment. In 1982, he started as Assistant Marshall and in 1994 was appointed Chief Marshall, a position 9 years later he is still fulfilling.

Ray has served on the executive of St George for 5 years, and is still a member of the General Committee. Ray attends our monthly meetings and is a font of knowledge and history of our Club. In his quiet way, Ray is always able to contribute to our discussions and deliberations on any issue.

We celebrated Ray's 80th birthday this year with a cake and special guests. St George is proud to have Ray as a member of our centre. Congratulations Ray.



L to R, Fred Scott Life Member St George LAC, John Burne, Chairman Board of LAC, Ray Horton, Kerry O'Keefe CEO LAA NSW

OFFICER FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS & SPECIAL EVENTS

During the season we had some very pleasing results. Shannon Delaney winning three gold medals at the State Titles and being placed on the Elite Sports Programme with the NSW Institute of Sport. The Under 8 Girls gold medal winning performance at the State Relays and Robert Lister breaking two of our oldest records in the 1500 metres. One of the records was until then held by Mark Hannon, who now has his own children competing for our centre.

One of the most pleasing aspects of the season for me as Championships Officer, was the performance of our younger athletes at the Zone and Regional Carnivals. The future looks bright for our Club as they have performed exceptionally well.

I would like to congratulate Aldo Giampietro our throws coach on the great job he did with our throwers. This was evident in our State Championship results.

During the season I received a lot of help from Janelle Jarvis which was greatly appreciated and Janet Gorman at selection times.

I would like to thank the Team Managers Pat Gorman and Lyn Delaney on the great job they did running the teams and also Lynne Whatman for the amount of help she gave me throughout the year.

I wish the incoming Committee the best for next season.

BEN TINKER



Friday Night Competition on our new 9 lane track

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Once again our two registration nights were particularly hectic with 360 registrations being taken, much the same as last season. My sincere thanks to the executive and committee members for their invaluable assistance on these nights, with special mention to my assistants Janelle Jarvis and Margaret Hartley.

Thank you also to my daughter Briannon for her help in distributing the sponsor bags.

A summary of the centre registrations for 2002-2003 season follows.

(Previous seasons figures are shown in brackets.)

AGE	GIRLS	BOYS	TOTALS
U/6	22 (19)	17 (16)	39 (35)
U/7	32 (35)	32 (49)	64 (84)
U/8	38 (23)	52 (48)	90 (71)
U/9	33 (35)	45 (41)	78 (76)
U/10	38 (40)	46 (37)	84 (77)
U/11	37 (34)	26 (35)	63 (69)
U/12	36 (25)	22 (34)	58 (59)
U/13	21 (23)	27 (20)	48 (43)
U/14	19 (24)	16 (16)	35 (40)
U/15	16 (6)	6 (13)	22 (19)
TOTALS	292 (264)	289 (309)	581 (573)

The total number of registrations for this season saw a slight increase of just eight on the previous season. I believe the school visits that took place prior to the commencement of the season did help sustain our numbers at this same level as approximately 40 registrations heard about our centre through the visits.

The number of boys registered fell from last season with the girls picking up this fall and also the increase in registrations. This allowed them to just outnumber the boys, which hasn't happened since our 1998-1999 season.

Registrations came from 394 families this season and the percentage of new registrations increased slightly on last season to 57%.

GLEND A McLOUGHLIN

2002/2003 TEAM MANAGERS REPORT

The 2002/2003 season for St. George was once again a very competitive one. Unfortunately, our many talented athletes came up against some very strong opposition causing competition to be much tougher than previous years.

Again, the past season has seen a number of Centre and Ground Records broken, some of which were long standing records. St George also performed well at Zone, Region and State Track and Field Championships, particularly in the middle distance area. Our centre was also well represented at the State Multi and State Relay competitions.

I would like to make mention of a couple of athletes who had an outstanding season. Shannon Delaney, U15B, won gold in 800m, 1500m & 3000m at State and during the season set ground, centre, zone, region and state records. Zennique Giampietro, 15G, won silver in shot put at State and along the way set ground and centre records for St. George. Three under 10 boys performed extremely well: Justin Walker, Stefan Diakanastasis & Robert Lister. They all set ground records during our Friday night competition and centre records at Zone, Region and State. Special mention to Robert Lister who broke the ground record for the 1500m which has stood since 1974 by Mark Hannon, one of our current parents.

I would like to thank the parent helpers who have come forward at Centre, Zone, Region and State levels. When all parents take their turn it allows the competition to run smoothly and everyone gets the opportunity to see their children competing.

Once again, I would like to thank Ben Tinker, David Beck, Lyn Delaney (Girls Team Manager) and my wife Janet, for their help and support throughout the season - it was much appreciated.

The following is an outline of the Championships, carnivals and special events in which St. George participated this season.

PATRICK GORMAN & LYN DELANEY



Hayley Brown & Shannon Delaney holding St George Club Banner

COACHING REPORT

Congratulations to all athletes on another outstanding season of competition. Fantastic results were achieved this year by our enthusiastic athletes, thus proving that their hard work and training has paid off. It is pleasing to see so many young athletes attempting to better their skills by attending scheduled training sessions.

A special thanks to our sprint coach Peter Tusiak for dedicating his time towards improving our young athletes. His efforts are greatly appreciated by all at St George Little Athletics. Special thanks also to Kathy Hamer for helping on Monday nights with the younger children.

ALDO GIAMPIETRO



*A family trifecta. Congratulations to the family of throwers
Left to right: Alice, Joseph and Natasha Iosefo*

CANTEEN REPORT

Thanks to my many helpers including Clara, Wendy, Jeanette and Matilda. Many turn up every week and work from beginning to end. Thanks also to Ben and other Executives who help towards the end of the night, especially Janelle who has been my Treasurer all year.

Total takings this year was \$13,519.69, an average of \$614.53 per week. The canteen was open 22 nights, one less than last year with two wash outs.

BBQ REPORT

Once again we had a successful BBQ year with many cooks and workers. So many people are there every week from 6 pm to close. Many male/female cooks including Bev, Pauline, Mary, Vivian, Lucy and Jemma (the Treasurer). Thanks also to Bev and Jemma's children who also help.

Total takings \$14,970.30, an average of \$680.46 per week. The BBQ was open for 22 nights but two of these, the Preston and the State Multi weekends were only small nights.

I wish to thank Lynne and Penny for their assistance in the ordering of the food and beverages.

We would like to thank our suppliers:

By-the-Bay Meats at Ramsgate - Steaks & kebabs

Castlemaine - Sausages

Padstow Frozen Food – Onions and canteen supplies

K & E Confectionary – Chips and sweets

O'Halloran's Bakery Miranda - Pies Sausage Rolls and Cakes

DENNIS HOWES



Ben and Dennis trying to making a decision.

LITTLE ATHLETICS N.S.W.
32nd ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AGM
20th -21st JULY 2002

The 32nd Annual Conference was held at Wests Leagues Club, New Lambton over the weekend of 20th and 21st July, 2002. During Friday your delegates, Pat Gorman, Glenda McLoughlin, Ray Parkinson and Lynne Whatman made their way by car or train to the conference venue to book in and find their way around.

Saturday morning, after the official opening, the Annual General Meeting was held. This proved very exciting for us as it was announced that Ray Horton had been recognised as the Inaugural Winner of the NSW Little Athletics Volunteer of the Year.

The Annual Conference was opened after the close of the AGM and the Constitution motions were discussed. The delegates were divided as previously requested into three workshops. Each of us attended two of the workshops over the weekend: Centre/Zone Presentations, Centre Point Score and Award Structure and Age Managers. At these workshops, we had the opportunity to both hear and to join in the discussions.

During the day, as well as the discussion Items there were also a number of presentations. Risk Management, Medical Statistics by Doctor Vowels, Administration Report by Kerry O'Keefe and the Projects Development Report by Darren Wensor. A very busy Saturday.

To relax, we attended the dinner/dance on Saturday night held at the Club.

On Sunday there were presentations from Brett Murray on Programs and Services, Ian Adams gave the Marketing Report, the Officials Report was presented By Tony Okulicz, Championship Report by Charlie Sanders, Membership/Development Darryl Channels, Resources and Finance by Ray Rayner and the Publicity and Trans Tasman Reports by Heather Mitchell.

Amy Winter, Paralympian and ex Little Athlete gave us a special presentation. Amy talked about her time as a Little Athlete in Kempsey and then her experiences at both the Atlanta 1996 and Sydney 2000 Paralympics Games. At the 2000 Sydney Paralympics, Amy won gold in the 100m and 200m and bronze in 400m,

During the day we discussed the remaining items. There are also a number of awards presented. Centre Volunteer Awards are recognised in three categories, 9 Centres won bronze, 5 won Silver and Doonside won the gold. The Centre Athlete Retention Award was won by Wellington and Athlete Increase Award won by Quakers Hill. Conference finished at 4:30pm on Sunday afternoon and we then all headed home to Sydney.

Your delegates thank you for the opportunity to represent St George Little Athletics Club at Annual Conference.

Pat Gorman, Glenda McLoughlin,
Ray Parkinson and Lynne Whatman
Conference Delegates

RECORDS & RANKING REPORT

The position of Recorder was extremely challenging this year; firstly, as this was my first season as Recorder; secondly, I was also Publicity Officer which is quite demanding in itself and thirdly, when the computer 'dropped its bundle' and I had to re-enter all results from week one. This was a huge task and unfortunately all stickers for the season were unable to be produced by the conclusion of the season. I do apologise for this but time simply beat me.

Congratulations to all St. George athletes – their continual improvement in their athletic ability has again sent the records tumbling and kept me busy this season.

I wish to thank Roger Malcolm for his assistance with the operation of the computer and Lynne Whatman for her expertise in this position. Also a big thankyou to all those parents involved in cutting, sorting and distributing stickers throughout the season.

This year a total of 28 Ground records and 27 Centre records were broken. I would especially like to mention athletes who broke records in more than one event. Shannon Delaney: 800m & 1500m, Zennique Giampietro: Shot Put & Discus, Justin Walker: 70m & 100m and Stefan Diakanastasis: 60mH & High Jump. I would like to make a special mention of Robert Lister who broke the U10 Boys 1500m record not just once but three times. This record was a long standing one, held since 1974 by Mark Hannon, now a parent of two of our athletes.

Unfortunately, I can only record the best result in my report, however each athlete who broke a record has a Record Certificate. It is pleasing to see that records were broken across a large range of disciplines: middle distance, sprints, walks, hurdles, jumps and throws.

ST. GEORGE RECORDS

Luke MRAKOVIC	U6B	Long Jump	2.76m
Dominique JOHNSTON	U6G	100m	19.51s
Alexander JOHNSTON	U8B	70m	11.27s
Barbara KUDLA	U8G	60mH	12.5s
Alice IOSEFO	U9G	Discus	25.33m
Robert LISTER	U10B	1500m	5:15.2min
Justin WALKER	U10B	100m	14.67s
Stefan DIAKANASTASIS	U10B	60mH	10.92s
Louise HAMER	U13G	200mH	32.8s
Katrina BITEZNIK	U13G	1500 Walk	8:18.9min
Leiden KRONEMBERGER	U14G	200mH	32.3s
Bridey DELANEY	U14G	3000m	11:19.9min
Shannon DELANEY	U15B	800m	2:06.36min
Shannon DELANEY	U15B	1500m	4:13.78min
Zennique GIAMPIETRO	U15G	Shot Put	12.62m
Zennique GIAMPIETRO	U15G	Discus	39.01m
Laura HOLLAND	U15G	200mH	32.0s
Samantha MILTON	U15G	3000m	11:30.38min

CENTRE RECORDS

Alexander JOHNSTON	U8B	70m	11.3s
Jaclyn ROBSON	U8G	60mH	11.7s
Zoe SCHUBERT	U9G	60mH	11.2s
Alice IOSEFO	U9G	Shot Put	9.06m
Justin WALKER	U10B	70m	9.8s
Justin WALKER	U10B	100m	13.8s
Stefan DIAKANASTASIS	U10B	60mH	10.2s
Stefan DIAKANASTASIS	U10B	High Jump	1.38m
Robert LISTER	U10B	1500m	5:02.4mi
Elizabeth PARATORE	U10G	1100 Walk	5:58.2min
Tyson HENEGHAN	U11B	100m	13.5s
Alexander HINSON	U11B	60mH	9.5s
Luke HAMER	U11B	800m	2:21.3mi
Nam CURRIE-NGUYEN	U13B	3000m	10:22.1min
Katrina BITEZNIK	U13G	1500 Walk	8:03.4min
Shannon DELANEY	U15B	800m	2:00.2min
Shannon DELANEY	U15B	1500m	4:10.3min
Ashleigh FEHRENBACH	U15G	1500 Walk	7:33.5min
Zennique GIAMPIETRO	U15G	Discus	36.17m
Samantha MILTON	U15G	3000m	11:03.0min

This year Shannon Delaney broke the Region Record for both the 800m and the 1500m.

Although this season was hectic, it was rewarding. Congratulations again to all our athletes for a very successful year and I hope all families enjoyed the season. I look forward to seeing you all again in the 2003/2004 season.

**JANET GORMAN
RECORDER**

