

HUON VALLEY LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE INC.

BY-LAWS



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Administration

Rule No.	Rule
AD1	The Centre to be an incorporated association.
AD2	No equipment is to be taken from the centre for use outside of regular competition or training sessions without the approval of the executive committee.
AD3	That the constitution be available on the Club website and a copy be held by the Secretary.
AD4	To change the Centre from Huon little Athletics Inc. to Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc.
AD5	That keys only be issued to Huon Valley Centre Committee members and the Huon Valley Centre Coach. In the first instant, the incoming President and Arena Manager will be allocated keys first. The Secretary will maintain a key register for allocation of keys during the season.
AD6	These By-Laws are to be binding on the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc. and all of its members including the Centre Committee, parents, athletes, officials, coaches, responsible adults of children etc. These By-Laws can only be amended by way of a motion put to the Centre Committee at the Annual General Committee (AGM) or, if circumstances implore at any other General Meeting and can only be passed by a vote of at least 80% in favour by those in attendance. These By-Laws are to replace any and all motions previously put to the Centre.

Registration

Rule No.	Rule
RE1	All competitors must exhibit the appropriate season name badge for local and State competition.

Finance

Rule No.	Rule
FI1	That after every occasion on which the Huon Centre Canteen is operated and/or any monies taken by the Registrar, all monies received shall be handed to the Treasurer, or in Treasurers absence, the President or Secretary, for banking on the next day of business, in return for a receipt.
FI2	That sponsorship or Centre contributions matters be dealt with by the Committee of the Centre.
FI3	That two signatories shall create and approve Centre-based expenditure. That three signatories (Treasurer, President and Secretary) be able to approve Centre-based expenditures.
FI4	Invite businesses that have helped our Centre during the season to our Presentations and Awards occasion.

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F15	<p>A hire form be provided for schools and associations for the hire of equipment. Schools and associations are advised that lost or broken items will be included as a line item invoice when required.</p> <p>Fees associated to the hire document to be reviewed annually by the Treasurer and President and amended where necessary.</p>
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Competition

Rule No	Rule
CO1	Current Records to be available at each meet.
CO2	When athletes compete at all meetings, including State, they must wear correct uniform.
CO3	<p>That the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre hold Centre Combined Championships in accordance with the current format of Little Athletics Tasmania (LATas) Championships.</p> <p>The Championship will include a format suitable for U6 – U8.</p>
CO4	<p>That the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre hold Centre Individual Championships in accordance with the current format of Little Athletics Tasmania (LATas) Championships.</p> <p>The Championship will include a format suitable for U6 – U7.</p>

Awards

Rule No	Rule
AW1	<p>The Individual Centre Championships will award for placings for each event during the three (3) weeks of competition as determined by the Committee. In the event there are more than 8 athletes per age group for a lane sprint event (70, 100, 150m, 200m, 400, hurdles) – timed heats will ascertain the placings.</p> <p>In order to be eligible for Centre Championships athletes must;</p> <p>Be registered with the Centre;</p> <p>Have competed in 25 Centre events prior to the commencement of the Centre Championships; and</p> <p>Have competed in the event on at least 2 occasions at a Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre organised meet during the season.</p>
AW2	At the conclusion of the Centre Championships, all athletes will be provided a statement showing their best performances attained at the Centre.
AW3	The Centre is to issue a certificate to any athlete who achieves a record for the Centre Combined Event Championships.
AW4	<p>Records</p> <p>Centre records can only be broken by registered Huon Valley Athletes on the track or fields at the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc.</p> <p>Outside records, such as State and National records need to be recorded and recognised.</p> <p>Any historical records that can be proven are to be included.</p>

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	<p>Records must be equalled or broken to be recognised.</p> <p>Where the affiliated body of the Centre amends points or events, the Centre Combined Event Records will be retired.</p>
AW5	<p>HVLAC Life Membership Award</p> <p>Recommendations must be made to a member of the Centre Committee. Recommendations are to be supported by full details of the basis on which the recommendation was made, as well as the history of the person under consideration.</p> <p>Criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Centre Committee will consider that this award should be kept at the highest plateau of the Centre, by restricting the recipients of the same to a very small number and to people who have given themselves to an extremely great extent at the highest level for the Centre; - Voting on Life Membership will take place at a meeting determined by the Committee; - Applications will require 80% majority of those members in attendance; - Acknowledgement will be in the form of a certificate and other deemed appropriate by the committee; and - The applicants name be placed on the Centres Life Membership Honour Board. <p>The Centre Committee reserves the right to revoke the granting of Centre Life Membership in extreme circumstances if the actions and behaviours of the relevant individual are deemed to be detrimental to the objects and purpose of the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc.</p>
AW6	<p>Franky 'J' Turnbull Starters Award</p> <p>An athlete who, at the start line, is consistently well behaved and always in the correct uniform. This award is to be determined by the Starter of the Centre.</p> <p>The Centre Committee will replace the starters name of the said award to ensure the acknowledgement of the Starter stays relevant.</p>
AW7	<p>All Rounder Award</p> <p>Parents and officials are asked to nominate athletes for this award. To be eligible for this award, athletes must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consistently compete in all events offered for their age group; - Attend over 75% of Centre competition. - Correct uniform worn during all Centre and State competition; - Exceptional behaviour toward other athletes, officials, and parents. <p>First preference for the sponsorship of this award is to be given to the major sponsor of the Centre.</p> <p>This award is not to be performance based.</p> <p>Nominations are to be called throughout the season. The committee are to vote and the athlete with the most votes will be awarded the All Rounder Award. In the event of a tied vote, the Centre Committee will re-vote.</p>
AW8	<p>Most 'Personal Best Performances' During Centre Championships</p> <p>Is determined by the highest number of Personal Best performances gained during the Huon Valley Centre Championships.</p>

AW9	<p>Most 'Personal Best Performances' during the Season</p> <p>Is determined by the highest number of Personal Best performances gained during the Huon Valley Centre Season. There are to be separate awards for a boy and a girl, and the committee can determine if it is appropriate to include a junior winner (U6-U10) and senior winner (U11-U15) for each gender.</p> <p>The calculation of personal best performances will only include Huon Valley Centre performances at the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc. The Centre Committee agrees to not include any State or other personal best performances into the calculation.</p>
AW10	<p>Highest Achiever Award</p> <p>This award is determined by the Committee, based on the performance of an athlete over the season at Local and State Events.</p> <p>The award is based on the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The athlete's performance at State Individual Championships; - State Multi-Championships; - State Walks Championships; - Records broken at Centre or State level; and/or - The athlete's performance at Centre Championships. <p>A State Championship gold medal will always rate higher than any number of silver or bronze medals won by an individual athlete. <i>The State Relay Championships results are not to be considered when determining this award, as it is a team event rather than an individual event.</i> If at any stage there is more than one athlete with the same achievements, then the award is to be presented to all those athletes.</p>
AW11	<p>The HVLAC Sportsmanship Award</p> <p>This award is determined by parents and officials by way of nomination throughout the season to an athlete that they have seen to have a positive and encouraging attitude toward personal competition and fellow competitors. The athlete can be seen to be assisting / helping and encouraging other athletes. Nominations are to be by a parent or official witnessing the sportsman-like conduct.</p> <p>This is not a performance-based award.</p>
AW12	<p>Combined Event Centre Championships</p> <p>The Combined Event is open to Under 6 to Under 15 age groups. To be eligible for Combined Event Championships, athletes must be registered with the Centre;</p> <p>The Scoring of the Event Championships will be held in accordance with the affiliated body being LATAs and shall be amended seasonally where required to ensure consistency with the State body of Little Athletics Australia.</p> <p>The scoring for Under 6 to Under 8 age groups will be aligned to that used for the Under 9 to Under 15 age group in accordance with LATAs.</p>
AW13	<p>U13 Sportsmanship Award (LATAs)</p> <p>Unless criterion is amended by LATAs Board, the following criteria will apply to the nomination of a male and female U13 from the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any U13 athlete must have participated in a minimum 3 x seasons with the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc.

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	<p>The criteria are determined by the LATas Board and cannot be altered.</p> <p>The selection process for the Committee will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establishment of a selection panel comprising of the President (or their nominee) and chaired by a member of the Centre executive or suitable person nominated by the executive. - The selection panel shall be convened at least two weeks prior to the closing date. - A brief written submission should be given on all athletes showing how they meet the criteria - Voting will take place in the format according the number of athletes in the group, highest to lowest per athlete. - The athlete with the highest tally of votes will be the nominee/s for the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc.
AW15	<p>End of Season Presentation</p> <p>The End of Season Presentation Day/Evening are to be determined by the Centre Committee and will be advertised to families on the Season Calendar.</p> <p>The Centre Committee will determine which (if any) suitable End of Season Novelty Event/s are offered at the End of Season Event.</p> <p>The Centre Committee reserves the right to amend the End of Season Presentation and Novelty Event prior to or on the day of the End of Season Event.</p>

State Team | Representative Teams

Rule No.	Rule
ST1	<p>That each currently registered athlete selected to a Little Athletics Tasmanian Representative Team be offered a rebate of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5% off the Representative Team levies for each year of registration and attendance at the Huon Valley Little Athletics Centre Inc. <p>To be eligible to receive this rebate, the athlete and their family members must help in a significant way around the Centre throughout the season including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assisting at Centre sites; - Working bees; - Assisting at State meets; and/or - Fundraising <p>In addition to this rebate, the current Centre Committee can, at their discretion, further supplement the Representative Team levy.</p> <p>For this to happen, the committee must consider the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The current financial state of the Centre; - The economic status of the athlete's family; - The athlete's involvement and commitment to the Club; and - Assisting and/or motivation to fundraise. <p>The Centre Committee of the day's decision shall be final.</p>