

TRANS TASMAN TOUR to AUCKLAND NEW ZEALAND



7-19 January 2016

ATTENTION ALL ATHLETES who will be U11 & U12 (Boys & Girls) registered with Little Athletics NSW or Little Athletics ACT for the 2015/2016 season, together with their family and friends.

The tour to New Zealand will be the twentieth tour conducted by the LANSW in accordance with a reciprocal arrangement with The Auckland Junior Athletics Committee of Athletics New Zealand. Over 4,600 people from NSW have participated since tours commenced in 1978.

ABOUT THE TOUR - Primarily an educational tour, with exposure to people of another country, their customs, heritage and environment. In previous tours to Auckland, the tour included the famous thermal areas of Rotorua and a one night stay on a Maori Marae at Tauranga. Fun events have included: Kelly Tarlton's Antarctic Encounter; Waiwera Hot Pools and "Choobs"; trout feeding; Hobbiton Movie Set Tour; Rainbow's End Fun Park and Auckland city sights.

Athletic meets have included zone carnivals and of course, the Trans Tasman Challenge in Auckland.

NOMINATIONS - All nominations must be submitted to LANSW no later than 5pm on Wednesday 21 October 2015. Late entries will not be accepted.

DEPOSIT- A deposit of \$200.00 per person must be paid at the same time (either by cheque or bank transfer). The deposit is non-refundable, except if it becomes necessary to limit the tour numbers by reason of aircraft, accommodation or other restrictions over which we have no control. The deposit will be taken off the invoice total.

ACCOMMODATION - The athletes will be allocated to sections of approximately 12 athletes under the care of a section manager and two (2) assistant section managers (hand-picked adults). Accommodation for athletes and officials will be dormitory style at Sacred Heart College (a boy's boarding school) at Glendowie, Auckland. At Tauranga, males and females will be at separate Maraes, not exactly motel accommodation, but great fun!

<u>PRICE RANGE OF THE 2016 TOUR</u>	<u>Athletes</u>	<u>Officials</u>
Includes: Airfare, taxes, accommodation, meals, coach travel, admissions and entertainment		
Official Uniform	\$475	\$420
Pocket Money	\$120	Nil
	\$2,900 - \$2,990	\$2,800 - \$2,900

INFORMATION SESSIONS will be held as follows. These sessions enable those persons interested in making the tour to obtain further information, meet the tour committee and ask questions.

THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER 2015

Commencing 7:00pm
Nepean LAC
Blair Oval
Creek Road
ST MARYS

SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER 2015

Commencing 7:00pm
Holroyd LAC
Holroyd Sportsground
Corner Peel & Roberts Streets
MERRYLANDS

THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER 2015

Commencing 7:00pm
McDonald's
Southgate Shopping Centre
Corner Port Hacking Road & Princes Highway
SYLVANIA

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER 2015

Commencing 2:30pm
Hornsby & District LAC
Pennant Hills No 2 Oval
(Ern Holmes Oval)
Britannia Street
PENNANT HILLS

SELECTION

LANSW has decided there will be no trials for the 2016 Tour and that performances recorded between 1 October 2014 and 21 October 2015 must be submitted on the form provided. The reason for this change is that all athletes who nominate will tour. From nominations received, Little Athletics NSW selectors will select a team comprising of:

- 30 boys from the under 11 age group plus 4 reserves
- 30 girls from the under 11 age group plus 4 reserves
- 30 boys from the under 12 age group plus 4 reserves
- 30 girls from the under 12 age group plus 4 reserves

Athletes may be selected in no more than four (4) individual events and possibly a relay.

Those wishing to nominate for the tour may nominate in either (2 track and 3 field, or 3 track and 2 field, or 2 track and 2 field). The reason for the requirement to nominate for both track and field events is that the Trans Tasman Challenge requires some competitors to compete in a track or field relay in conjunction with individual events. Athletes who nominate for the 400m, 800m & 1500m will only be selected in a maximum of two of these events.

ATHLETES UNIFORM 2016 – will include a tracksuit, hat, 3 polo shirts, 2 pairs of cargo shorts, 1 running singlet and shorts, 2 hoodies, 2 pairs of sport socks, 1 large travel bag, 1 backpack and 1 bum bag.

OFFICIAL'S UNIFORM 2016 – will include a tracksuit, hat, 3 polo shirts, 2 pairs of cargo shorts, 1 zip jacket, 2 pair of sport socks, 1 large travel bag, 1 backpack and 1 bum bag.

Team photo is also included for all athletes and officials.

Pocket money has been standardised at A\$120.00 for each athlete. This money will be in the custody of the tour committee who will issue a certain amount daily to the section managers for each athlete. Pocket money must be paid in tour costs.

Bulletins will be available from the website in September 2015: www.lansw.com.au

There is a video to view on the Trans Tasman experience on the above website. Go to Competitions and search down to Trans Tasman.

2016 Trans Tasman Tour Committee

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