

# GIRRAWEEEN ATHLETICS CLUB Inc



## ANNUAL REPORT 2020/2021

(Formerly Girraween Amateur Athletics Club 1980 - 1996)  
(Formerly Greystanes / Girraween Amateur Athletics Club 1978 - 1980)

Presented at the 43rd Annual General Meeting  
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GIRRAWEEN ATHLETICS CLUB Inc.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The last committee term, due to COVID-19, was the longest term in the history of the club (18 months). This term was the shortest (6 months – November 2020 - May 2021). During this period, we continued and ended a shortened but successful COVID friendly competition. In my last report I advised how we purchased new equipment including shots, discuses and long jump kits. Bunnings Blacktown and Northmead not only supported us with a few barbecue fundraising opportunities but also donated shade structures, tables, eskies and other items that have been very useful during hot summer Saturdays and Run 4 Jess.

Winter 2021 is half over and the COVID friendly format continues with members running at a time of their choosing between Thursday and Saturday each week. Despite this we have had strong turnouts on Saturday afternoons and lots of typical Girraween camaraderie.

We recently held our Winter 2020 presentation and tonight we hold the Summer 2020-2021 presentation. Congratulations to our award winners. You performed well during difficult times.

Thank you to the Committee and our volunteers for your continued support. We are blessed with members who support our club through leadership, through competition and through service. Without people like this it would be difficult to run the club. George and Judy Milosevic once again drove club fundraising including the most successful Bunnings barbecue in December. They and Gary Micallef developed relationships with Bunnings leading to the donations we received from two Bunnings stores. Thanks also to Ti Robinson for taking on the mantle of Summer Manager. Ti did a fantastic job in a very important role. Lynette Gillies, a stalwart member of our Committee and club, provided continued support to the club until her passing this season. She will be sorely missed.

With the rest of winter 2021 and the next summer season fast approaching I encourage members to join the Committee or volunteer to assist during competition or fundraising. We are in an important building phase for the club. We've started by refreshing our equipment, but the end goal is much grander. When Cumberland Council finds funding to build the new facility at CV Kelly Park, we will have to fit out our portion of the facility and make other purchases. We are building our finances to meet that challenge but there is still a long way to go. We can't do this without you. I thank you all for your continuing support.



Wayne Thurlow  
Club President



# **GIRRAWEEEN ATHLETICS CLUB**

Formed September 1978 - CV Kelly Park, Oramzi Road, Girraween

**CLUB PATRON - Michelle Rowland**

## **LIFE MEMBERS**

John Wheeler – 1986 (Died 1997)  
Bob Sewell – 1988 (Died 2017)  
Vivian Manwaring – 1997  
Lynette Smith – 2006  
Stephen Halverson – 2003

Graham Sheargold – 2009  
Steven Williams – 2012  
Michael Christie – 2016  
George Milosevic – 2016  
Wayne Thurlow – 2016

## **REGISTERED 30-YEAR MEMBERS**

Vivian Manwaring – 2016  
Lynette Smith – 2020

## **REGISTERED 25-YEAR MEMBERS**

Bob Sewell – 2002  
Vivian Manwaring – 2011

Lynette Smith – 2015  
Graham Sheargold - 2017

Steven Williams - 2020

## **REGISTERED 20-YEAR MEMBERS**

Bob Sewell – 1997  
Vivian Manwaring – 2006  
Lynette Smith – 2009  
Graham Sheargold – 2012  
Steven Williams – 2015  
Lisa Grant - 2018  
Robert Giesler - 2019  
Robert Eager - 2020

## **REGISTERED 15 -YEAR MEMBERS**

Bob Sewell – 1992  
Vivian Manwaring – 2001  
Lynette Smith – 2006  
Graham Sheargold – 2007  
Phil Bowden – 2009 (Died 2016)  
Steven Williams – 2010  
Richard Frost – 2010  
Suresh Raju – 2010  
Lisa Grant – 2013  
Gary Micallef – 2014  
Robert Giesler – 2014  
Brad Milosevic – 2015  
Robert Eager – 2015  
Vincent Adams – 2016  
Geoffrey Sheargold - 2016

Michael Kammerer – 2016  
Jean Davis – 2017  
Stephen O'Donnell - 2017  
Carly Eager – 2017  
Michael Free – 2017  
Stephen Parkins 2017  
Michael Christie – 2018  
Roger Mar – 2018  
George Milosevic – 2018  
Judy Milosevic - 2018  
Gregory Sargeant – 2018  
Wayne Thurlow - 2018  
Terry Rose - 2018  
Katrina Russell - 2019  
Michael Evans - 2019

## **REGISTERED 10-YEAR MEMBERS**

John Wheeler - 1988  
Deborah Mulhall - 1988  
John Doolan - 1989  
Robert Kropman - 1993  
Michael Kammerer - 2003  
Phil Bowden - 2004  
Suresh Raju - 2005  
Keith Mayhew - 2007  
Robert Giesler - 2009  
Vince Adams - 2010  
Carly Eager - 2010  
Eddie Makki - 2010  
Joseph Butler – 2011  
Jean Davis – 2012  
Clive Kidson – 2013  
Roger Mar – 2013  
Katrina Russell – 2014  
David Perry - 2016  
Taylor Doyle – 2016  
Raminder Singh - 2018  
Stephen Mifsud - 2018

Tracey Wheeler - 1988  
Bob Sewell - 1988  
Paul Sewell - 1991  
Vivian Manwaring - 1997  
Graham Sheargold - 2003  
Richard Frost - 2005  
Wayne Jeff - 2005  
Chelsea Kimpton - 2008  
Gary Micallef - 2009  
Robert Eager - 2010  
Bradley Milosevic - 2010  
Michael Free – 2011  
Stephen O'Donnell – 2012  
George Milosevic – 2013  
Terry Rose – 2013  
Wayne Thurlow – 2013  
Danny Martins - 2014  
Andrew Free - 2016  
Mchael Grogan - 2017  
Daniel O'Donnell - 2018  
Ed Bratovic - 2018

Jackie Wheeler - 1988  
Peter Kropman - 1989  
Catherine Kropman -1993  
Lynette Smith - 2000  
Stephen Halverson -2003  
Steven Williams - 2005  
Vikki Savage - 2005  
Lisa Grant - 2008  
Stacey Argent - 2010  
Amanda Giesler - 2010  
Geoffrey Sheargold - 2010  
Michael Evans – 2011  
Stephen Parkins – 2012  
Michael Christie – 2013  
Gregory Sargeant - 2013  
Judy Milosevic - 2014  
Nicholas Hanna - 2015  
Heidi Juhart - 2016  
Jill Woodruff - 2017  
Peter Matthews - 2018  
Rodney Zammit - 2019

## **HON. AUDITOR**

Tony Ward ~ 1996 - Present

**Previous Patrons** - Nathan Rees

## **PUBLIC OFFICERS**

Viv Manwaring ~ 2005 – 2016

Katrina Russell ~ 2016 – Present



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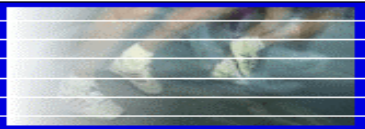


(Formed September 1978)  
C V Kelly Park, Oramzi Road, Girraween

| President        | Year      | Secretary                  |
|------------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| John Wheeler     | 1978-1979 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1979-1980 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1980-1981 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1981-1982 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1982-1983 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1983-1984 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1984-1985 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1985-1986 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1986-1987 | John Wheeler               |
| John Wheeler     | 1987-1988 | John Wheeler               |
| Bob Sewell       | 1988-1989 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1989-1990 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1990-1991 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1991-1992 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1992-1993 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1993-1994 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1994-1995 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1995-1996 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1996-1997 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Graham Sheargold | 1997-1998 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1998-1999 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 1999-2000 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 2000-2001 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 2001-2002 | Viv Manwaring              |
| Bob Sewell       | 2002-2003 | Lynette Smith              |
| Steven Williams  | 2003-2004 | Lynette Smith              |
| Steven Williams  | 2004-2005 | Garry Womsley              |
| Steven Williams  | 2005-2006 | Garry Womsley              |
| Steven Williams  | 2006-2007 | Garry Womsley              |
| Steven Williams  | 2007-2008 | Garry Womsley              |
| Steven Williams  | 2008-2009 | Garry Womsley              |
| Steven Williams  | 2009-2010 | Garry Womsley / Jean Davis |
| Steven Williams  | 2010-2011 | Jean Davis                 |
| Steven Williams  | 2011-2012 | Jean Davis                 |
| Steven Williams  | 2012-2013 | Katrina Russell            |
| Wayne Thurlow    | 2013-2014 | Katrina Russell            |
| Wayne Thurlow    | 2014-2015 | Katrina Russell            |
| Wayne Thurlow    | 2015-2016 | Katrina Russell            |
| Wayne Thurlow    | 2016-2017 | Katrina Russell            |
| Wayne Thurlow    | 2017-2018 | Katrina Russell            |
| Wayne Thurlow    | 2018-2019 | Katrina Russell            |
| Wayne Thurlow    | 2019-2020 | Katrina Russell            |
| Wayne Thurlow    | 2020-2021 | Katrina Russell            |



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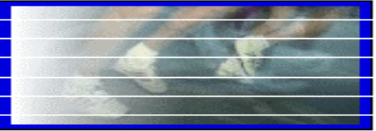


## CLUB COMPETITION SUMMER CHAMPIONS \* Denotes overall Champion

|   |             |  |
|---|-------------|--|
| Ashley Micallef (Snr)                           | 2020 / 2021 | * Steven Williams (Golden Oldies)            |
| Ashley Micallef (Snr)                           | 2019 / 2020 | * Gary Micallef (Masters+)                   |
| Ashley Micallef (Snr)                           | 2018 / 2019 | * Wayne Thurlow (Masters+)                   |
| Jean Davis (Masters)                            | 2017 / 2018 | * Wayne Thurlow (Masters+)                   |
| Jean Davis (Masters)                            | 2016 / 2017 | * Nathan Moffit (Under 20)                   |
| Jean Davis (Masters)                            | 2015 / 2016 | * Wayne Thurlow (Masters)                    |
| Jean Davis (Masters)                            | 2014 / 2015 | * Michael Grogan (Seniors)                   |
| Helen Ozols (Masters)                           | 2013 / 2014 | * Wayne Thurlow (Masters)                    |
| Robyn Smith (Masters)                           | 2012 / 2013 | * Wayne Thurlow (Masters)                    |
| Jean Davis (Masters)                            | 2011 / 2012 | * Stephen Parkins (Masters +)                |
| Jean Davis (Masters)                            | 2010 / 2011 | * Wayne Thurlow (Masters)                    |
| * Venessa Separovich (Snr)                      | 2009 / 2010 | Robert Giesler (Masters +)                   |
| * Jean Davis (Masters)                          | 2008 / 2009 | Peter Matthews (Masters)                     |
| Andrea Hendley (Masters)                        | 2007 / 2008 | * Wayne Thurlow (Masters)                    |
| Brenda Micallef (U16)                           | 2006 / 2007 | * Wayne Thurlow (Masters)                    |
| Kelly Micallef (U15)                            | 2005 / 2006 | * Stephen Blunden (Masters)                  |
| * Cath Germech (nee Kropman) (Snr)              | 2004 / 2005 | Robert Giesler (Masters)                     |
| * Andrea Hendley (Masters)                      | 2003 / 2004 | Steven Williams (Masters)                    |
| Brenda Micallef (U12)                           | 2002 / 2003 | * Brad Milosevic (U14)                       |
| * Chelsea Austin (U18)                          | 2001 / 2002 | Peter Kimpton (U18) / Brad Milosevic (U13)   |
| Chelsea Austin (U17)                            | 2000 / 2001 | * Suresh Raju (Snr)                          |
| Gemma Austin (U13)                              | 1999 / 2000 | * Steven Williams (Vet)                      |
| Samantha Marshall (Snr)                         | 1998 / 1999 | * Graham Sheargold (Vet)                     |
| Erin Scouller (U15)                             | 1997 / 1998 | * Suresh Raju (Snr)                          |
| Jessica Fisher (U14)                            | 1996 / 1997 | * Stephen Halverson (Vet)                    |
| Jessica Fisher (U13)                            | 1995 / 1996 | * Peter Balinski (U13)                       |
| Linda Balinski (Vet)                            | 1994 / 1995 | * Stephen Muir (U13)                         |
| * Michelle Townsend (Snr)                       | 1993 / 1994 | Doug Leabon (Snr)                            |
| * Lynette Smith (Snr)                           | 1992 / 1993 | Michael Finucane (Snr)                       |
| * Lynette Smith (Snr)                           | 1991 / 1992 | Michael Finucane (Snr) / Viv Manwaring (Vet) |
| * Lynette Smith (Snr)                           | 1990 / 1991 | Bruce Hogg (U18)                             |
| Stella Mauceri (U17)                            | 1989 / 1990 | * John Doolan (Snr)                          |
| Elizabeth Knoke (U15) / Kate Rada (U15)         | 1988 / 1989 | * Jeff Micallef (U19)                        |
| Jackie Wheeler (Snr)                            | 1987 / 1988 | * Viv Manwaring (Vet)                        |
| * Jackie Wheeler (Snr) / Deborah Mulhall (Snr)  | 1986 / 1987 | Michael Jamieson (U14)                       |
| Jackie Wheeler (U20)                            | 1985 / 1986 | * Peter Kropman (U18)                        |
| * Jackie Wheeler (U19)                          | 1984 / 1985 | Frank Soballa (U17)                          |
| Kellie Fenech (U14)                             | 1983 / 1984 | * Peter Kropman (U14)                        |
| Kellie Fenech (U14)                             | 1982 / 1983 | * Phillip Fenech (U15)                       |
| Deborah Mulhall (U16)                           | 1981 / 1982 | * Phillip Fenech (U14)                       |
| Jackie Wheeler (U15)                            | 1980 / 1981 | * Michael McHugh (U14)                       |
| * Catherine Downer (U13) / Jackie Wheeler (U14) | 1979 / 1980 | Ralph Downer (U15)                           |
| * Joanne Kendall (U13)                          | 1978 / 1979 | Simon Gemmell (U14)                          |



# GIRRAWEEEN ATHLETICS CLUB



GIRRAWEEEN ATHLETICS CLUB Inc

CLUB COMMITTEE 2020 / 2021

|   |   |                       |
|---|---|-----------------------|
| <b><u>Club Patron:</u></b>                    | Michelle Rowland  | Appointed 2015        |
| <b>President:</b>                             | Wayne Thurlow   |                       |
| <b>Secretary:</b>                             | Katrina Russell   |                       |
| <b>Treasurer:</b>                             | Heidi Juhart  |                       |
| <b>Public Officer:</b>                        | Katrina Russell   |                       |
| <b>Registrar:</b>                             | Graham Sheargold  |                       |
| <b>Coaching Co-ordinator:</b>                 | Rod Zammit  |                       |
| <b>Summer Competition Manager:</b>            | Tipene Robinson   |                       |
| <b>Winter Competition Manager:</b>            | Ashley Micallef   |                       |
| <b>Club Records Officer:</b>                  | Stephen O'Donnell   |                       |
| <b>ANSW Delegates:</b>                        | Wayne Thurlow & Graham Sheargold  |                       |
| <b>Parks Delegates:</b>                       | Wayne Thurlow & Rod Zammit  | Appointed             |
| <b>Fundraising Officer:</b>                   | Vacant  |                       |
| <b>Canteen Manager:</b>                       | Graham O'Brien (non-active committee)   |                       |
| <b>Uniform Officer:</b>                       | Kristy Zammit   | No committee meetings |
| <b>Webmaster:</b>                             | Steven Williams   |                       |
| <b>Communication &amp; Publicity Officer:</b> | Michael Christie  |                       |
| <b>General Committee:</b>                     | Diane Celnikier,<br>Gary Micallef<br>Lynette Gillies<br>Greg Sargeant<br>Jason Cutajar<br>Daniel Irving |                       |



## **REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

We have a total of 67 members

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| Under 20      | 31 |
| Seniors       | 9  |
| Masters       | 3  |
| Masters Plus  | 11 |
| Golden Oldies | 12 |
| Veterans      | 1  |

### **Female Members**

#### **Under 20**

|             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| Reader      | Annisha   |
| Dixon       | Joanna    |
| Sivaganesan | Imaani    |
| Corvalan    |           |
| Sotomayor   | Laura     |
| Farrugia    | Katherine |
| Reader      | Tasha     |
| Zammit      | Hayley    |
| Byatt       | Laelia    |

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Vijeyaratnam    | Lojana   |
| O'Brien         | Jessica  |
| Srisivaeaswaran | Vithussa |

#### **Seniors**

|          |        |
|----------|--------|
| Micallef | Ashley |
| Grant    | Lisa   |
| Davis    | Jean   |

#### **Masters Plus**

|        |         |
|--------|---------|
| Smith  | Lynette |
| Juhart | Heidi   |
| Coles  | Kim     |

#### **Golden Oldies**

|           |         |
|-----------|---------|
| Celnikier | Diane   |
| Russell   | Katrina |
| Gillies   | Lynette |

### **Male Members**

#### **Under 20**

|            |           |
|------------|-----------|
| Alameddine | Mohamed   |
| Bussier    | Tyler     |
| Byatt      | Joel      |
| Chaudhri   | Sohum     |
| Corvalan   |           |
| Sotomayor  | Cristobal |
| Dasgupta   | Sumeet    |
| Irving     | Daniel    |
| Kimpton    | Joshua    |

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Krebs           | Noah     |
| Mulholland      | Cian     |
| O'Brien         | Aidan    |
| O'Donnell       | Ben      |
| O'Donnell       | Daniel   |
| Shah            | Pranshav |
| Sheehan         | Daniel   |
| Shrestha        | Neelesh  |
| Singh           | Rishit   |
| Srisivaeaswaran | Kajanan  |
| Tharmanesan     | Avilash  |
| Zammit          | Zachary  |

#### **Seniors**

|           |             |
|-----------|-------------|
| Cutajar   | Jason       |
| Milosevic | Brad        |
| Robinson  | Tipene      |
| Kimpton   | Peter       |
| Flower    | Christopher |
| Clubb     | Shane       |

#### **Masters**

|          |         |
|----------|---------|
| Singh    | Ajay    |
| O'Brien  | Graham  |
| Corvalan | Claudio |

### **Masters Plus**

|           |         |
|-----------|---------|
| Zammit    | Rodney  |
| Carr      | Dominic |
| Thurlow   | Wayne   |
| Irving    | James   |
| O'Donnell | Stephen |
| Womsley   | Garry   |
| Micallef  | Gary    |
| Christie  | Michael |

#### **Golden Oldies**

|           |         |
|-----------|---------|
| Sargeant  | Gregory |
| Milliss   | Mark    |
| Evans     | Michael |
| Free      | Andrew  |
| Mifsud    | Stephen |
| Mar       | Roger   |
| Williams  | Steven  |
| Sheargold | Graham  |
| Eager     | Robert  |

#### **Veterans**

|       |          |
|-------|----------|
| Singh | Raminder |
|-------|----------|



## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

How times have changed since COVID visited upon the world in 2020! As activities came to a halt in March 2020 virtual runs became the practice. Club members have continued to be able to run within the COVID safety rules and a virtual Westmet competition continued in 2020. Club members were able to catch up at these events but running was mostly carried out with social distancing in force.

In 2021, COVID restrictions have eased somewhat and there have been Athletics meets and competitions occurring again. The deferred Olympic games in Japan is still on the cards!

The GAC committee has been able to meet again over the last few months and an AGM is planned for 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021, venue to be confirmed. We hope to see GAC club members there.

Recently, March 2021, we were able to once again hold the Run for Jess event to raise funds for the Westmead Hospital C5 Oncology ward. This was a great success with a good turn out of family and GAC members. Sadly though, we lost Lynette Gillies to cancer just before this event took place. We hold Lynette's memory dear in our hearts.

We look forward to continuing our running events in 2021 with adherence to the COVID rules which are changeable.

Thanks to Wayne Thurlow and Michael Christie and other club/committee members for their ongoing support throughout what has been a challenging last year or so!



**Katrina Russell**  
**Club Secretary**

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

### **Income/Expenses Comparison by Category 2021**

| <b>Category Description</b>       | <b>1/4/19 - 31/3/20</b> | <b>1/4/20 - 31/3/21</b> | <b>Amt Difference</b> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>INCOME</b>                     |                         |                         |                       |
| Bank Interest                     | \$6.10                  | \$0.70                  | -\$5.40               |
| Canteen Income                    | \$111.25                | \$77.50                 | -\$33.75              |
| Clothing Sales                    | \$2,970.00              | \$1,600.00              | -\$1,370.00           |
| Ground fees                       | \$937.05                | \$925.00                | -\$12.05              |
| Xmas Raffle                       | \$0.00                  | \$0.00                  | \$0.00                |
| Relay registrations               | \$160.00                | \$0.00                  | -\$160.00             |
| Registrations ANSW online         | \$2,607.78              | \$2,010.00              | -\$597.78             |
| Sausage Sizzle sales/fund raising | \$3,059.10              | \$3,643.90              | \$584.80              |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME</b>               | <b>\$9,851.28</b>       | <b>\$8,257.10</b>       | <b>-\$1,594.18</b>    |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                   |                         |                         |                       |
| Affiliation Fees ANSW             | \$825.00                | \$825.00                | \$0.00                |
| Business Expenses                 | \$369.00                | \$498.90                | \$129.90              |
| IMG Online Fees                   | \$0.00                  | \$0.00                  | \$0.00                |
| Park /Council fees                | \$344.40                | \$1,180.55              | \$836.15              |
| Registration Relays               | \$193.80                | \$0.00                  | -\$193.80             |
| Trophies                          | \$303.31                | \$254.10                | -\$49.21              |
| Clothing                          | \$2,133.85              | \$1,681.60              | -\$452.25             |
| Masters registration              | \$200.00                | \$0.00                  | -\$200.00             |

|                       |            |            |             |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | \$4,369.36 | \$4,440.15 | \$70.79     |
| <b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>  | \$5,481.92 | \$3,816.95 | -\$1,664.97 |

I certify that this income and expenditure statement of Girraween Athletics Club Inc has been checked and is a true and fair representation of its financial transactions.

**ASSETS**

|                                |  |                    |
|--------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Bank account                   |  | \$15,755.81        |
| Plus 8 new singlets @\$32.70   |  | \$261.60           |
| Plus 30 old singlets @\$30.00  |  | \$900.00           |
| Plus 9 polo shirts @\$21.70    |  | \$195.30           |
| Plus 13 jackets @\$33.50       |  | \$435.50           |
| Plus 3 white shirts @ \$30.00  |  | \$90.00            |
| Plus 2 Girraween bags @\$30.00 |  | \$60.00            |
| Liabilities (None)             |  |                    |
| <b>NETT ASSETS</b>             |  | <b>\$17,698.21</b> |

Heidi Juhart  
Treasurer



## FUND RAISING REPORT

A year of Covid-19 restrictions and constraints the club had only 3 activities which resulted well in raising funds.

The year's total was \$3,191.64 in fund raising, plus additionally a generous gift & equipment donation from Bunnings Blacktown to a value of approx. \$844.00.

The year's fund-raising activities were: -

6/12/20 \$1,147.00 Bunnings BBQ, Blacktown.

21/2/21 \$573.84 Bunnings BBQ, Blacktown.

13/3/21 \$1,470.80 "Run4Jess" charity which was all donated to Westmead Medical Research Foundation. (Breakdown was BBQ \$295.80 and entries with donations \$1,175.00.)

The club thanks the small band of volunteers who made this a successful year under trying circumstances.

Hopefully in the new year the club will have a Fundraising Committee to continue the work and involvement for the prosperity of the club.

In appreciation to the volunteers,  
George & Judy Milosevic.

**On the behalf of the Fundraising Committee.**



## SUMMER COMPETITION REPORT

After a late start to the season, due to the uncertainties that COVID-19 brought to the world. Competition finally got underway mid-October. We had an amazing 77 athletes across all age categories compete during the 2020-2021 Summer competition. We saw a lot of new faces, familiar faces, and faces of members both past and present.

The weather was on our side this year with only one washout and one cancellation due to extreme heat rules. In total we managed to survive 18 weeks of intense competition with 1 week of modified family-friendly, fun events.

Our point scoring system is as followed:

The first week A and B for each athlete is a non-scoring, grading round. This is because there needs to be an initial result before points and PBs can be awarded.

- 1 point is awarded for participation, including a foul result. However, a DNF (Did Not Finish) is a 0 point score.
- An additional half point is awarded for equaling a PB and
- An additional point for any PB achieved.

The best four events each week (max 8 points) are counted for each athlete and points accumulate over the season. At the end of the season, the four lowest point scoring weeks are subtracted from each athlete's total. From this, the season's Club Champion is determined as well as age category winners and the champion visitor.

In addition to this, athletes also need to have completed at least 50% of all competition days held during the season to be eligible for rewards. Competition days consist of both grading weeks and all other weeks excluding modified weeks. In the event that a competition week is cancelled all athletes will have this week allocated as attended, however the competition week must be cancelled prior to any track or field events being held.

There were 18 point weeks of competition which means an athlete is eligible for Club Champion and Age Category winners if they competed in 9. As there were 2 weeks cancelled from the total, all athletes have those weeks credited toward obtaining the 9 week threshold.



| <b>The Summer 2020/2021 Competition Categories</b> |
|--|
| Open (male and female)                             |
| Under 20 (male and female)                         |
| Senior (20-39 years male)                          |
| Senior (20-34 year female)                         |
| Masters (40-49 years male)                         |
| Masters (35-49 years female)                       |
| Masters Plus (50-59)                               |
| Golden Oldies (60-69)                              |
| Veteran (70-79)                                    |
| Visitors   |

There are 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards available within each summer competition category, catering for men, women and children. The highest award- Club Champion, is presented to the male or female who has scored the highest total points for the summer season.

### **SUMMER CLUB CHAMPION**

This year's Summer Club Champion participated in 100% of all point scoring rounds, they scored an amazing total of 73 out of a possible 80 points after the 4 worst weeks were subtracted, an incredible 4 points more than second place. Even more impressive this year's champion scored 5 perfect point scoring weeks, with 1 week achieving 5 PB's but only being credited with 4. With a slow start to the season they started to show form and maintain before an evident injury slump. However, they were able to overcome this injury cloud with a strong, fast finish to end the season.

Congratulations to Steven Williams who is our 2020/2021 summer Club Champion. Steve has overcome many obstacles this season and did so with energy, determination and enthusiasm. He seemed to enjoy the season the longer it went on. Congratulations once again and well done!

### **SUMMER MALE CHAMPION**

The men's competition was won by Steve Williams with 73 points. Second place goes to Wayne Thurlow with a credible 69 points and Third place to Tipene Robinson on 65, great effort all round!

### **SUMMER FEMALE CHAMPION**

There were 26 female athletes compete throughout the season, this accounts for 33.7%. The women's competition was extremely close with only 5 points separating the top 3 female athletes. The female competition was won by Ashley Micallef with 61 points, Katherine Farrugia accomplished 2<sup>nd</sup> place this season on a credible 59 and Ashleigh Farrugia achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> place close behind on 56 points. Congratulations and well done!



The following table displays the age category winners:

| <b>Male</b>       |                 | <b>Under 20's</b>    |                    | <b>Female</b>       |    |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>   | Daniel Irving   | 57                   | Katherine Farrugia |                     | 47 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | Zachary Zammit  | 48                   |                    |                     |    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | Ben O'Donnell   | 34                   |                    |                     |    |
| <b>Male 20-39</b> |                 | <b>Seniors</b>       |                    | <b>Female 20-34</b> |    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>   | Tipene Robinson | 65                   | Ashley Micallef    |                     | 61 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | Jason Cutajar   | 57                   |                    |                     |    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | Chris Flower    | 40                   |                    |                     |    |
| <b>Male 40-49</b> |                 | <b>Masters</b>       |                    | <b>Female 35-49</b> |    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>   |                 |                      | Jean Davis         |                     | 50 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>   |                 |                      |                    |                     |    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>   |                 |                      |                    |                     |    |
| <b>Male 50-59</b> |                 | <b>Masters Plus</b>  |                    | <b>Female 50-59</b> |    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>   | Wayne Thurlow   | 69                   |                    |                     |    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | Gary Micallef   | 55                   |                    |                     |    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | Rodney Zammit   | 50                   |                    |                     |    |
| <b>Male 60-69</b> |                 | <b>Golden Oldies</b> |                    | <b>Female 60-69</b> |    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>   | Steven Williams | 73                   | Diane Celnikier    |                     | 36 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | Roger Mar       | 47                   |                    |                     |    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | Greg Sargeant   | 24                   |                    |                     |    |



## **SUMMER VISITOR CHAMPION**

With Girraween being one of the few clubs competing in track and field on Saturdays, many visitors compete in our competition. Visitors are defined as members from another club or younger athletes that do not qualify for dual membership.

With our Summer competition known as Girraween All comers, we attract regular visitors from other clubs and non-dual athletes from Girraween Little A's and acknowledge the contribution from regular visiting athletes.

These athletes may be the key to the success of our club in the future to come.

The Summer Visitor competition was another close one with only 14 points separating the top 3. The Summer Visitor Champion is Ashleigh Farrugia finishing the season on 56 points, Mikayla Robinson claimed 2nd place only 1 point behind on 55 points and Rosemary Zammit gaining 3<sup>rd</sup> place with 24 points.

|                 |                   |    |
|-----------------|-------------------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Ashleigh Farrugia | 56 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Mikayla Robinson  | 55 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Rosemary Zammit   | 24 |

Congratulations to all members and visitors for your enthusiasm, positive energy, dedication and participation during a year with many obstacles, restrictions and uncertainties.

## **100% ATTENDANCE**

There were a number of athletes that competed in all point scoring weeks. Well done and congratulations to the following:

Steven Williams  
Daniel Irving  
Jason Cutajar  
Gary Micallef and  
Michael Christie

## **SPECIAL MENTION**

Many thanks to all those who assisted in the setup and organization of events and the volunteers including but not limited to: starters, time keepers, scribes and walking judges. Without your efforts the season would not have been as successful as it was.

**Tipene Robinson**  
**Summer Competition Manager**



## **2020-2021 Summer Representative Awards**

This is the fifth series of Girraween Athletics Club Summer Representative Awards since they were re-introduced for the 2016-2017 season after a long absence. This current season ran from October 2020 through to April 2021. The season started a month later than normal due to the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. There were a total of twenty events where our athletes scored points during this period.

Interestingly, for the first time since these awards were re-introduced, all six award winners were dual athletes. Remarkably, there were also two brothers and sisters amongst the award winners. Here are the award winners for the 2020-2021 season.

### **Men's**

|     |                         |            |
|-----|-------------------------|------------|
| 1st | Kajanan Srisivaeaswaran | 196.00 pts |
| 2nd | Neelesh Srestha         | 159.25 pts |
| 3rd | Joel Byatt              | 103.00 pts |

### **Women's**

|     |                          |            |
|-----|--------------------------|------------|
| 1st | Laelia Byatt             | 109.75 pts |
| 2nd | Laura Corvalan           | 62.50 pts  |
| 3rd | Vithussa Srisivaeaswaran | 34.00 pts  |

Congratulations to our winners who all represented Girraween Athletics Club with distinction over a wide variety of events across the 2020-2021 season, a season like no other. It was a remarkable achievement by all concerned.

Michael Christie (GAP)



## **WINTER COMPETITION 2020**

The Winter competition for 2020 was a very different one than Girraween Athletics Club had ever been involved with in our club's forty-two-year history, due to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic from March 2020. With the onset of this pandemic, the traditional winter season as we knew it was basically a thing of the past. We saw the cancellation of the majority of the ANSW winter season. Only two of the traditional ANSW representative events were held at the back end of the season. As a consequence, there are no Girraween Athletics Club representative awards for 2020. There were not enough events held to make it a viable and equitable competition.

West Metropolitan Cross Country was held from June through to September, over sixteen consecutive weeks. However, this was a very different Cross-Country season than our members were used to. Each West Met event was held from the Wednesday through to Saturday and members did their run on any of these days, and then texted through their time to the convenor of West Met, Mr David Archbold. This way, there was an actual points-scoring competition. Three traditional West Met venues in North Ryde, Emu Plains and Winston Hills were not used in 2020 due to the difficulties associated with course construction and council permissions. It was very different than anything that had occurred previously, but at the end of the day our members were just happy to be able to participate in these events at all given the circumstances across the wider community.

So, what we have for the 2020 winter season, is the West Metropolitan Cross-Country awards and the Girraween Athletics Club Championship Results. which are collated as a result of Girraween athlete's performances at the West Met events.

## **West Metropolitan Cross-Country Awards**

These awards are based on the performances of Girraween's athletes across the sixteen West Metropolitan events that were held in 2020 from June through to September. Girraween athletes competed over every distance and every week during this time, a remarkable effort by all concerned. While understandably numbers were down from the 2019 season, nevertheless it was a fine achievement by all concerned. There was an increase in the West Met trophy haul with Girraween athletes taking home twenty-two trophies as opposed to twenty in 2019, a very fine effort. Please note that on top of the standard awards, Girraween athletes also collected seven awards in the Trevor Lonard Memorial handicap held later in the season. We also have only been able to provide the placegetters in each category across the three distances in 2020, as the adjusted points-score was not available on the West Metropolitan Cross-Country website.

### **Short Distance**

#### **Female**

W65+ Diane Celnikier 2nd

#### **Male**

M14U Zach Zammit 1st

M50+ Wayne Thurlow 2nd

M60+ Greg Sargeant 2nd  
Roger Mar 3rd

### **Middle Distance**

#### **Female**

W14U Chloe Grogan 2nd

W30+ Ashley Micallef 1st

W45+ Jean Davis 1st

#### **Male**

M14U Ben O'Donnell 2nd



|                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| M16U Daniel O'Donnell  | 1st |
| M45+ Michael Grogan    | 2nd |
| M50+ Rod Zammit        | 2nd |
| M55+ Stephen O'Donnell | 3rd |
| M60+ Mark Milliss      | 1st |
| M65+ Graham Sheargold  | 3rd |



### **Long Distance**

#### **Male**

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| M20+ Jason Cutajar   | 1st |
| M30+ Geoff Sheargold | 1st |
| Tipene Robinson      | 2nd |
| M35+ Shane Clubb     | 1st |
| M55+ Tony Coles      | 1st |
| Gary Micallef        | 2nd |
| M65+ Rob Eager       | 2nd |



### **Trevor Lonard Memorial Handicap Awards**

#### **Short Distance**

|     |                  |
|-----|------------------|
| 2nd | Mikayla Robinson |
| 3rd | Wayne Thurlow    |

#### **Medium Distance**

|     |                  |
|-----|------------------|
| 1st | Graham Sheargold |
|-----|------------------|

#### **Long Distance**

|     |               |
|-----|---------------|
| 2nd | Rob Eager     |
| 3rd | Gary Micallef |

#### **Fastest Male**

Geoff Sheargold

#### **Fastest Male 50+**

Tony Coles

### **Club Awards**

The club awards are based upon the results in the West Metropolitan Cross-Country series consisting of short, middle and long distance events held over sixteen weeks from June to September in 2020. As noted previously Girraween athletes competed in every event over the sixteen-week period. To be eligible for a club award, athletes had to complete at least fifty percent of the sixteen events in 2020, that is a minimum of eight events. The points-scores listed below are for those athletes who have completed at least eight events and were successful in obtaining an award. There were twenty-five recipients of these awards in 2020, as opposed to twenty-six the year before. This was a fine effort, given numbers were down in 2020. Overall, given the virtual nature of the 2020 winter season, it was an excellent effort by all Girraween's athletes, and everyone is to be congratulated on their achievements. It was always exciting to see the royal blue and white of Girraween out on the course through the 2020 winter season.

## Short Distance

| Age Group            | Place | Name             | Pts |
|----------------------|-------|------------------|-----|
| Female Under 20      | 1st   | Rosemary Zammit  | 297 |
| Female Under 20      | 2nd   | Mikayla Robinson | 290 |
| Female Under 20      | 3rd   | Hayley Zammit    | 174 |
| Female Golden Oldies | 1st   | Diane Celnikier  | 280 |
| Male Under 20        | 1st   | Zac Zammit       | 281 |
| Male Masters Plus    | 1st   | Wayne Thurlow    | 300 |
| Male Masters Plus    | 2nd   | Greg Sargeant    | 290 |
| Male Golden Oldies   | 1st   | Roger Mar        | 245 |

## Middle Distance

| Age Group           | Place | Name              | Pts |
|---------------------|-------|-------------------|-----|
| Female Under 20     | 1st   | Chloe Grogan      | 300 |
| Female Senior       | 1st   | Ashley Micallef   | 282 |
| Female Masters      | 1st   | Jean Davis        | 290 |
| Male Under 20       | 1st   | Daniel O'Donnell  | 281 |
| Male Under 20       | 2nd   | Ben O'Donnell     | 264 |
| Male Masters        | 1st   | Michael Grogan    | 291 |
| Male Masters Plus   | 1st   | Rod Zammit        | 300 |
| Male Masters Plus   | 2nd   | Stephen O'Donnell | 274 |
| Male Masters Plus   | 3rd   | Michael Christie  | 263 |
| Males Golden Oldies | 1st   | Mark Milliss      | 250 |

## Long Distance

| Age Group          | Place | Name            | Pts |
|--------------------|-------|-----------------|-----|
| Male Senior        | 1st   | Geoff Sheargold | 300 |
| Male Senior        | 2nd   | Jason Cutajar   | 286 |
| Male Senior        | 3rd   | Tipene Robinson | 268 |
| Male Masters       | 1st   | Shane Clubb     | 268 |
| Male Masters Plus  | 1st   | Tony Coles      | 293 |
| Male Masters Plus  | 2nd   | Gary Micallef   | 261 |
| Male Golden Oldies | 1st   | Rob Eager       | 195 |

## Winter Representative Competitions

As noted earlier in this report, as there were only two of the winter ANSW competitions held due to the pandemic that are usually used to construct the winter representative awards, it was decided there were not enough events held to be able to institute Girraween Athletics Club Winter Representative Awards for the 2020 Winter season. However, we are still recording the results from these two events here, as a tribute to Girraween's athletes who represented the club so admirably on both occasions.

### 19-7-20 ANSW XC Short Course Championships Integral Energy Park West Dapto

#### U13 Girls 2km

|      |                |      |
|------|----------------|------|
| 22nd | Chloe Grogan   | 8:28 |
| 24th | Deeya Angurala | 8:52 |

#### Open Men 5km

|     |                |       |
|-----|----------------|-------|
| 6th | Brad Milosevic | 14:54 |
|-----|----------------|-------|

#### Men's U35 5km

1st Nicholas Hanna 20:17

**Men's 35+**

4th Shane Clubb 24:10

**Men's 45+ 5km**

11th Michael Grogan 26:47

**U16 Men's 3km**

28th Nicolai Caceres Ede 11:24

**Men's 55-59 4km**

5th Tony Coles 16:25

**Men's 65-69 4km**

9th Graham Sheargold 22:17

**10-10-20 ANSW Cross Country Championship Integral Energy Park West Dapto**

**Men's Open & 30-49 10km**

5th Brad Milosevic 30:53

DNF Shane Clubb

**Men's U20 & 50-60 8km**

**Men's 55-59**

2nd Tony Coles 33:52

**Men's 65+**

4th Graham Sheargold 47:23

5th Rob Eager 51:56

**Men's 30-34**

3rd Brad Milosevic 30:52

Michael Christie  
(GAP)



## **Girraween Athletics Club Publicity Report 2020-2021**

This year's publicity report covers the period April 2020 to April 2021. It is worth noting that the last twelve months has affected athletics as we know it, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. The 2020 winter season was dramatically affected as can be seen from the lack of events that were held last winter. Nevertheless, Girraween's athletes soldiered on remarkably. I have endeavoured over the last twelve months to collate a record of our athlete's achievements within this timeframe. This report is essentially a summation of their achievements during this period.

The 2020 West Metropolitan cross-country season was unlike any previous cross country season due to the onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Due to the pandemic, the season did not start till June and ran for sixteen consecutive weeks through to September. It was held virtually. This in effect meant, that athletes could run their event on the specified course, from a Wednesday to a Saturday and text their time through to the West-Met convenor, Mr David Archbold. This worked well and it ensured that we were able to have a points-scoring competition. The number of athletes naturally was down from that of 2019. Approximately, on average, twenty-two athletes competed each week, with a highest number of twenty-six at Ermington in August. Once the West Metropolitan awards were handed out in April 2021, twenty-two athletes from Girraween won awards across the various age categories, in the short, medium and long-distance runs. This was higher than in 2019. The majority, ten were gained in the medium distance event.

Numerous Girraween athletes also competed in the SMC Road Race Series held at Smithfield over the 2019/2020 season which was concluded in March 2020, two months early, due to the onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic. This event continued to attract runners, yet numbers were down on previous seasons. Runners compete over the 5km, 10km and 21/30 distances. The Girraween athletes who compete regularly are always keen for more of their clubmates to join them. This season Michael Kammerer, David Otte, Gary Micallef, Alison Shaw, Terry Rose, Mischelle Otte, Michael Grogan, Jason Oldridge, Stephen Mifsud, Michael Christie, Nicholas Hanna, Helen Collins, Graham Sheargold, Chloe Grogan, Chris Foley, Shane Clubb, Kim Coles, Jason Cutajjar Geoff Newey and Tony Coles were all spotted at Smithfield at various stages of the SMC season. After the presentation of awards handed out at the beginning of the 2020/2021 SMC season; no presentation was held on this occasion due to the COVID-19 Pandemic; Chloe Grogan, Michael Grogan, Michael Christie, Helen Collins, David Otte, Mischelle Otte, Gary Micallef, Kim Coles and Graham Sheargold picked up awards.

The winter of 2020 saw a very abbreviated ANSW cross-country season. Only two events were held, and a small group of Girraween athletes competed in these events. These athletes flew the flag well and are mentioned under the 2020 Winter Competition report, elsewhere in this Annual Report. No relays were held during the 2020 winter and other traditional events and venues also fell by the wayside. This was understandable under the circumstances.

Winter 2020 also saw Girraween athletes and friends participate in a number of other events, which due to the pandemic were often virtual in nature outside the scope of West Metropolitan and sanctioned ANSW events, Events such as Virtual Event(parkrun), Run NSW Virtual series, Anzac Day Challenge(virtual), Virtual Australia 5km Challenge(virtual), Run with the World(virtual), (not) parkrun, McDonalds Brisbane Running Festival(virtual), Run NSW Virtual 10, Get Back on Track Challenge(virtual), UTS Norths Winter Series. What did this show was the amazing flexibility of Girraween athletes in trying to find events to participate in and keep fit in the most challenging of circumstances.

Girraween's summer afternoon track and field season ran from October 2020 through to March 2021 at C V Kelly Park Girraween. The season started a month later than normal, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. It was a slightly modified program with the high jump not taking place over the season and various COVID-19 safety measures implemented for the safety of all Girraween athletes, visitors and friends. This worked well and everyone adjusted well to the new arrangements. The state of the ground remains poor. This was mentioned in last year's publicity report and nothing has changed. Before Christmas, these Saturday meets were supported well, but numbers did fall away in the New Year. This is an ongoing seasonal pattern. At times Girraween hosted visitors and they always received a warm welcome. This competition continues to be an important proving ground for Girraween athletes at all levels wanting to improve their skills and try out new events in a friendly and competitive environment.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, no annual NSW State Relay Championships were held in November 2020. The NSW Club Championships was another event that was not held over the 2020/2021 season for the same reason.

However, on a brighter note the summer of 2020/2021 did see Girraween athletes compete at ANSW inter-club and permit meets with all senior and dual athletes doing a fine job. The competitions were held under very different arrangements than previous years, with numbers and events limited. However, all athletes were grateful to have a competition at all given the events of recent months. Vithussa Srisivaeaswaran, Kajanana Srisivaeaswaran, Neelesh Srestha, Shane Clubb, Nicholas Hanna, Laura Corvalan, Cristobel Corvalan, Claudio Corvalan, Imaani Sivaganesan, Joel Byatt, Laelia Byatt, Tasha Reader, Breanna Williams, Annisha Reader, Avilas Tharmanesan, Pranshav Shah and Lynette Smith all did a superb job representing Girraween across the summer months at these events.

Throughout the 2020/2021 summer season, Girraween athletes and friends competed at a number of other events, such as Westies Joggers, SMC Smithfield, (not) parkrun, Heritage Burnie 10km(virtual), Sun Heald City to Surf(virtual), Sri Chinmoy, NSW 10,000 Championships, Run West Series(virtual), Three Bridges Run, Canberra Times Marathon Festival(virtual), NSW Throwers Club, Stromlo Running Festival, ACPE NSW All Schools, Virtual Melbourne Marathon Festival, parkrun, Hunter Peak Performance Challenge, Illawarra Trial Challenge, NSW 5000M Championships, NSW Masters, UTS Norths Northern Zone, NSW Junior Championships, Australian Junior Championships. It is a testament to all Girraween athletes to search and compete so well in this wide variety of events.

The previous twelve months have seen challenges that have never been faced before not only for Girraween athletes but for the wider community. At time of writing this is continuing. However, Girraween's athletes have once again risen to the challenge when representing Girraween. While there was no one specific achievement that jumped out at us, it would be remiss of me not to mention one group. The achievements of the club's dual athletes stood out over the last twelve months. Whilst they were competing regularly at Little A's; they also competed at many senior events with great distinction and on many occasions were facing very stiff competition. They were prepared to step up to this next level and for this they all deserved great credit. An illustration of their achievements can be seen elsewhere in this annual report where these young athletes fill all six positions in the 2020/2021 Girraween Athletics Club, Summer Rep awards. This has never happened since these awards were reinstated five seasons ago and illustrates what we mean by their achievements. These athletes are the future of Girraween athletics and we wish them well.

In conclusion, it has been a remarkable twelve months for Girraween Athletics Club. Despite the onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the club has continued to operate in a most challenging environment. Whether it was the ongoing fund-raising activities, the remarkable achievements of the club's dual athletes or the ongoing positive attitude of all the club's athletes, it has been a privilege once again to chronicle this period within the club's history. As we all know, Girraween is not a large club in terms of membership or resources. However, it continues to shine. Long may this continue.



Michael Christie GAP

