

Gawler Little Athletics Club Captains Policy

This policy has been approved by the Gawler Little Athletics Centre committee with the intention to provide consistency in nominating & voting for the club's Vice Captains & Captains of each athletic season.

Club Captains

Any athlete that would like to be selected, and has been with the centre for a minimum of (ONE (1) consecutive year, in the Under 12 age groups and older, must put in writing why they would like to be considered as a Captain for Gawler Little Athletics Centre. One Male and Female will be selected by the committee as Captains.

Club Vice Captains

One Male and Female athlete, from the Under 12 age group and older, will be selected by the parents / athletics peers as the Vice Captains. Athletes in the Under 12 age group are eligible for Vice Captain positions only.

If an athlete has been a Vice Captain – this does not preclude him / her from becoming a Captain in future years. Said athletes will need to follow the guidelines outlined in their letter of acceptance.

Duties of the Captain include: (To be adopted by the Vice-Captain)

- Participate in as many home and away meets as possible.
- Must be in correct centre uniform at all meets (with correct badges, etc).
- If possible, attend the committee meetings, AGM / Presentation Day.
- If possible, attend State event days We understand that if the club captain or vice-captain is not competing, getting to state meets can be difficult. If unable to attend these meets, I will inform the committee and Vice-Captain so they can stand in where required.
- At home meets (and away meets where necessary) I will assist coaches when required.
- Hand out certificates / medals / trophies as required.
- Always encourage and support younger athletes.
- Be a good role model to the younger athletes.
- Be a responsible and enthusiastic member promoting family, fun and fitness.
- Provide a voice for fellow athletes

Each applicant will address the athletic community during morning announcements to introduce themselves prior to voting. Once the application(s) have been received, the committee will arrange for the parents/athletic peers to vote.

When voting for a club captain, parents and fellow athletes should consider factors such as the candidate's length of time at the club, the quality of their written application, their dedication through volunteering and support of younger athletes, and their reasons for wanting to take the role.

Applications must be handed in within the time frame scheduled at the start of each season & voting must be completed by the 4th home meet.