



# GAWLER LITTLE ATHLETICS

## AWARDS

## POLICY

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# **GAWLER LITTLE ATHLETICS AWARDS POLICY**

This policy is an approved policy of the Gawler Little Athletics Centre, Incorporated, with the intention to provide direction and consistency in awarding Gawler Little Athletic Awards.

At the commencement of each athletic summer season, Gawler Little Athletic Centre committee nominate member(s) to undertake recruiting of sponsors and supporters, who provide sponsorship through financial assistance or donations of vouchers / gift certificates / goods for prizes. This will become the Awards Sub-Committee (if eligible) and a member of this sub-committee will be nominated as the Chairperson.

This policy will provide consistency across each season in awards presented and prizes associated and guided by the members making up the awards sub-committee.

## **Personal Best Records:**

Gawler Little Athletic Centre (GLAC), Personal Bests (PBs) are recorded into the Timing Solutions program Results HQ.

GLAC make the effort to recognise the achievement by athletes in obtaining a nominated number of PBs, this has in past seasons recognised when an athlete achieves twenty (20) PBs and multiple of tens (10's) thereafter.

GLAC Committee will acknowledge and reward athletes when they have achieved twenty (20) PBs and the accumulation thereafter (eg: 20, 40, 60). Athletes achieving these milestones will be recognised with a Certificate and a sponsorship award determined by the committee (eg: Fasta Pasta voucher).

GLAC Committee will acknowledge and reward athletes when they have achieved thirty (30) PBs and the accumulation thereafter (eg: 30, 50, 70). Athletes achieving these milestones will be recognised with a Certificate and an award determined by the committee (eg: sponsorship voucher if available or canteen voucher)

PBs achievements will be monitored and determined by the nominated Centre Recorder, utilising the data results obtained from Results HQ and will liaise with the Awards Sub-Committee for the purpose of arranging relevant certificates / vouchers (if a sub-committee is in operation).

Athletes / Parents / Guardians may wish to query the accumulation of PBs and may lodge a request for count back via the Executive Committee or Recorder. It will be the Recorder's responsibility to verify the results and report back to the request. The Recorder's decision will be final.

All registered athletes are eligible to receive this award.

### **Athlete Achievement of the Month:**

GLAC Committee on behalf of the Centre, award an Athlete Achievement of the Month for the months of October, November, December, January, February, and March.

This award is presented to an athlete who has the highest point total for that month as accumulated through the ResultsHQ program. Points are accumulated for meet attendance, event participation, Personal Bests (PBs) and Centre Records (CRs).

To create an inclusive system and broaden the award recipients, (as some athletes are consistently high performers) should a previous award recipient be the highest point accumulator for a following month, the award will be presented to the next athlete with the highest point tally.

The award presented will be a Certificate and sponsorship award determined by the committee (eg: Zorich Group voucher)

The Chairperson of the Award Sub-Committee (or Centre Recorder in the absence of a sub-committee) will be responsible for reporting to the Executive Committee the award recipient for each month.

All registered athletes are eligible to receive this award.

### **Athlete Commitment of the Month:**

GLAC Committee on behalf of the Centre, award an Athlete Commitment of the Month for the months of October, November, December, January, February, and March.

This award is presented to an athlete who has shown (but not limited to) commitment to athletics, their personal performance, athletic peers and GLAC.

Athletes will be nominated for this award each month by chaperones, athletic peers, parents, or guardians. NO NOMINATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS, so it will be the responsibility of the Coaches and Committee members to promote and encourage centre members to be involved and nominate.

Nominations can be made to the Committee via in person, email, or the Centre's Facebook Messenger. Nominations will be forwarded to the Secretary for collation and a Facebook Messenger Poll for voting by nominated Committee members.

As GLAC Committee is comprised of multiple members of a family, only one (1) member per family will be the voting member for this award and voting by members will be compulsory.

In the event of a tied vote count, a second vote will take place only involving the athletes that tied in the first round.

The award presented will be a Certificate and sponsorship award determined by the committee (eg: Zorich Group voucher)

The Chairperson of the Award Sub-Committee (or Centre Recorder in the absence of a sub-committee) will be responsible for reporting to the Executive Committee the award recipient for each month.

All registered athletes are eligible to receive this award. Except previous Achievement Award winners for the season.

### **Volunteer of the Month**

GLAC Committee on behalf of the Centre, award a Volunteer of the Month for the months of October, November, December, January, February, and March.

This award is presented to a volunteer who has shown (but not limited to) commitment to athletics, their personal assistance at home meets and / or training, and GLAC.

At the completion of each home meet, parents / guardians who assisted with each age group record their name and activity (eg: chaperone, measurer, recorder, etc.) on the results sheet for the age group. Names of volunteers will be recorded and placed into a draw for a sponsorship award (eg: FreshPak fruit / vegetables pack) for that month. Winner will be drawn by the centre Captains (or Vice-Captains in their absence) or Sponsor representatives.

Conditions:

- One entry per volunteer per week (A volunteer has the potential to have four (4) or five (5) entries per month)
- Month is defined as calendar month (eg: 1<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> / 30<sup>th</sup> / 31<sup>st</sup>)
- Entry can be earned by the volunteer at training and home meets, but only one (1) entry per week.
- Volunteers included:
  - Parent / Guardians
  - Extended Family members of Athletes
  - Athletes (eg: Chaperoning younger age groups / Tiny Tots)
  - All Committee members
- Volunteers can only win once per season. In the event of a committee member winning, remaining related committee members will become ineligible (eg: one win per household)

## **END OF SEASON AWARDS (Presented at the AGM)**

### **Participation**

Tiny Tots – Full / Majority of season – trophy

Partial season (less than a third) – certificate

Certificates acknowledging home meet attendance for 5, 10, 15, 20 meets

Under 6 to Under 17 – Full / Majority of season – gold medal

Above one third, below two thirds of season – silver medal

Less than one third – certificate

Under 17 – Farewell gift (recognition of final year in little athletics)

All athletes presented with a Season Best certificate

The male and female athletes who attain the most points for each age group from U6's to U12's will be presented a ribbon to acknowledge the achievement.

The male and female athletes who attain the most points for the Senior Athlete Group (U13's to U17's) will be presented a ribbon to acknowledge the achievement.

### **Club Captain Appreciation**

Captains – trophy

Vice Captains – trophy

### **State Individual Championship Participants**

Awarded in recognition of athletes achieving SIC participation

Medal

### **Membership (consecutive accumulation)**

3 Years – trophy

5 Years – trophy

10 Years - trophy

14 years - trophy

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### **Bradley Thring Community Spirit Award**

Athletes who were nominated for the monthly commitment award, but did not win, are eligible for this award – members of GLAC (excluding committee members) vote for winner.

Trophy and perpetual trophy

### **Best First Year Junior**

Awarded on points accumulated in first year

Under 6 to Under 10 – Trophy

### **Best First Year Senior**

Awarded on points accumulated in first year

Under 11 to Under 17 – Trophy

### **Coaches Award(s)**

Award recipient(s) nominated by coaching staff

Trophy

### **Christine Slate Memorial Award (Most PB's achieved for the season)**

Awarded to athlete accruing the most PB's for season (if athlete to be awarded Athlete of the Year – next highest)

Trophy and perpetual plaque

### **Schoepf Family Field Trophy**

Awarded on points accumulated for field events:

Long Jump / Triple Jump / High Jump

Javelin (turbo jav) / Discus / Shot Put

Trophy and perpetual plaque

### **Emma Henkel Track Trophy**

Awarded on points accumulated for track events:

100m / 200m / 400m / 500m / 700m / 800m / 1500m

700m walk / 1100m walk / 1500m walk

Hurdles

Trophy and perpetual plaque

### **Junior Athlete of the Year & Runner-Up (Female)**

Awarded on points accumulated throughout the season

Trophies and perpetual plaque

### **Junior Athlete of the Year & Runner-Up (Male)**

Awarded on points accumulated throughout the season

Trophies and perpetual plaque

### **Senior Athlete of the Year & Runner-Up (Female)**

Awarded on points accumulated throughout the season

Trophies and perpetual plaque

### **Senior Athlete of the Year & Runner-Up (Male)**

Awarded on points accumulated throughout the season

Trophies and perpetual plaque

## Authorisation

Signature of President:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'M' followed by a cursive name.

Date of Approval by the Committee: **19<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

**This policy is to be reviewed every year.**