

St Kevin's Amateur Athletic Club Inc.

Annual Report For Year Ended 31 March 2011 PREMIERSHIP EDITION!!



Committee
Eamon Lynch, Secretary
Andrew Thomas, President
Patrick Noonan, Vice President
Dino Imbriano, Treasurer & Registrar
Regan Logan, General Committee Member
Mark De Luca, General Committee Member



Winter 2010 Review – APSOC Season

The 2010 Winter season saw a similar pattern to the previous few years, where relegation has been a real danger but in the end, has been avoided. This year, we entered the final premiership round, the Cooke McClelland, in last position by 2 points to the Xavier 3rd team. Thankfully, a quality field of athletes answered the call and helped secure 4th placing which was enough to push Xavs 3 into last position which allowed SKAAC to, once again, avoid relegation.

Whilst numbers were down for the season, there was a strong base of athletes that can help build stocks for 2011 and beyond. Hopefully this base can help SKAAC remain a thriving team within APSOC's Division One competition. APSOC provides great competition for athletes of varying abilities and fitness. Many of the races are handicapped thereby giving all runners a chance of individual success.

Season's Highlights included:

- Mark De Luca won Athlete of the Year award for the second year 'running'
- Regan Logan finished a very credible equal 5th in the Female Athlete of the Year.
- Nick O'Neill finished equal 6th in the 40+ Athlete of the Year table
- Chloe Cornwell also finished 6th in the 40+ Female Athlete of the Year table.
- Mark De Luca won Brighton by the Sea and Orchard scratch events
- Regan won scratch races at Mini Marathons and Churchill Park.
- Chris Bridge second placing Hare & Hounds and 3rd at The Lodge (scratch)
- Nick O'Neill handicap win at the Lodge and 3rd the Lodge.
- A great team performance at the Cooke McClelland finishing 4th and avoiding relegation.
- Younger athletes showing great promise for future years, including Lochlan Down, Jeremy Weakes and Angus Morrison

SKAAC acknowledge the great work of the APSOC committee in organising the season and also the work of volunteers each week that help put on the APSOC races.

In respect to AV competition. SKAAC athletes continued to run for APSU. We sincerely thank Mark Purvis (APSU Le Team Manager) for his continued efforts to manage the APSU team.

Division 1		Jamieson	Dyson	Geelong	Hooley	Williamson	Cooke	Total
1	Old Xaverians 1	10	10	10	10	10	10	60
2	Old Scotch 1	7	8	7	8	8	8	46
3	Haileybury 1	8	7	8	6	7	7	43
4	Old Xaverians 2	6	3	6	5	5	5	30
5	Haileybury 2	5	4	4	2	3	4	22
6	Old Wesley 1	1	5	1	7	6	1	21
6	Old Carey 1	3	6	5	4		3	21
8	St. Kevin's 1	4	1	2	3		6	16
9	Old Xaverians 3	2	2	3	1	4	2	14

Old Xavs won the Division 1 Championship breaking Old Haileybury's run of 7 wins.



2010 Winter Competing Athletes – APSOC Events

Name	Jam	Bri	Dys	Orc	Gee	McP	Lod	H&H	Gem	Mini	Will	Chu	Coo	Total	P'ship rounds
Murphy, N	1												1	2	2
Shearman, P	1						1		1				1	4	3
Lynch, J	1								1				1	3	3
Neylon, R	1	1												2	1
O'Neill, N	1		1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1		1	11	6
Cornwell, C*	1		1	1	1	1	1						1	7	4
Noonan, P	1		1				1				1			4	3
De Luca, M		1	1	1	1	1				1	1	1	1	9	4
Thomas, A		1	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	1	1	10	5
Bridge, C			1			1	1	1					1	5	2
Logan, R *			1	1		1		1	1	1	1	1	1	9	4
Down, L			1						1					2	2
Kozica, J				1			1			1			1	4	1
Lynch, E					1		1	1	1				1	5	3
Imbriano, D					1					1				2	1
Weakes, J						1								1	0
McDonald, B							1							1	0
McDonald, S*							1							1	0
Keel, C										1			1	2	1
Rinaldi, J													1	1	1
Morrison, A													1	1	1
Total = 21	7	3	8	6	6	6	10	3	7	7	5	4	14	86	47

* Female Athlete

Notes:

- In 2009 we had 31 competitors compared to 21 in 2010. Total 119 in 2009 compared to 86. Premierships rounds 60 compared to 47. These numbers reflected the struggle to compete in Division 1.
- New Athletes: Jeremy Weakes and Lochlan Down.

Andrew Thomas



Summer 2010/2011 Review

The Summer athletics season of 2010/11 will long be remembered as the most successful ever for the St. Kevin's Amateur Athletics Club. Put simply, the club was officially crowned the best Division 1 side in the state of Victoria. A remarkable finish to the season and an emphatic win at the Shield Final ensured SKAAC's place in Victorian Athletics history.

It was a typical slow start to the season with the usual early absences of some key athletes due to school and university commitments and several washouts leaving the club with plenty of points to catch up. Shortly prior to Christmas, it was not even guaranteed the Division 1 side would qualify in the top 2 at the Venue - with Collingwood and Box Hill occupying the top positions on the ladder. Winning 8 of the last 9 rounds secured top spot ahead of Box Hill. The new EPL-style ladder with no final resulted in SKAAC claiming the Division 1 premiership at what is widely regarded the strongest venue in the state.

Saturday February 12th 2011 was a watershed day in the club's rich history winning the Division 1 Shield Final. An intense day at the Knox track saw athletes compete from 9am to 6pm with the premiership not being decided until the last event, the 400m. Glenhuntly posed an enormous threat from the outset, but a narrow win saw SKAAC crowned State Division 1 premiers for the first time ever. This was a significant victory ending decades of dominance by major clubs Box Hill and Glen Huntly and a victory to a club without an established 'home track'. Participation from walkers to sprinters, from star decathletes to average athletes, together with a strong club culture, proved a better recipe for success than powerful clubs with a more individual and elite focus.

An important factor in the victory was strong knowledge of qualifying standards and the sometimes ambiguous rules set out by AV. The efforts of the committee to contact club members ensured all athletes competed the required 3 times for finals qualification. A conscious effort was made for all events to be filled to allow for maximum points to be gained on Venue Final day. This proved crucial in such a tight contest and thanks must go to athletes that competed in events they may not normally participate.

Although thanks must go to all athletes who competed throughout the season, it is necessary to point out several performances that were vital to the premiership. Steve Cain once again displayed his ability to lift for finals. His 400m run showed his undying commitment to the club, running his heart out after toiling away throughout the entire day. Although never conceding it, Steve was not only tired, but most likely injured before pulling out a courageous 400m run to secure victory. Steve Landers proved his star credentials with the fastest sprint times of the day and Hamish Nelson's quality performances in numerous events kept us on top.

Eamon Lynch



President's Report

It has been an historic year for SKAAC having won our first ever Div 1 AV Shield Premiership. Everyone involved with the club should be congratulated and feel very much part of this success, whether or not as a star athlete, a coach, a team member on the day or during the year or as a reserve on the day.

We are a small club compared to Box Hill and Glenhuntly but I think that perhaps the difference was team spirit, which counts for quite a bit on days such as the shield final. This club culture is a real asset and one that needs to be harnessed over the coming years to ensure that this premiership was not just a 'surprising' victory.

I wish to thank all our committee members who have contributed so much during the year. Without such commitment, the club would not continue. I encourage any club members to join the committee, or even come along to any of our regular meetings and contribute in any way they can.

There are also many within the club that should be thanked for their continued support. This includes Pete Kehoe for his great coaching. Steve Cain, not only for being an Australian decathlete champion, but a decathlete champion that is happy to compete every week for the club. Others around the club that make a difference such as Nick O'Neill and Mark Brady – always prepared to stick their hands up to help out in any way. These are merely examples as there are many more that could just as easily be mentioned.

A major part of the teams success was due to recruiting. This was led by Pete McGarry, Mark Brady and Steve Fabris. Steve also did a great job coaching some of our school athletes.

On general issues, one significant change this year was the committee's handling of officials. We have had little success in previous years attracting assistance in this area. An initiative was to pay officials for their service. Overall, whilst slow to get momentum, it was a success with only perhaps one round where we struggled to provide officials when needed. This is compared to previous years where not providing officials was a weekly occurrence.

We thank the following associations:

- Athletics Victoria
- APSOC
- APSU

Thanks also to St Kevin's College, especially Luke Travers for his unlimited support and enthusiasm for the club.

We now look forward to 2011-2012. Hopefully we attain more success during the Winter and then start the campaign to go BACK to BACK in 2011-2012!!

Andrew Thomas



Finance Report

Bank Balance as at 31-Mar-2010	\$4,874.43
Income	
Trading Receipts (BBQ & Drinks)	\$80.00
Fees / Subscriptions from members	\$2,935.00
Fundraising Receipts	\$2,110.65
Grants	\$2,000.00
Loan - Pat Noonan	\$1,000.00
Sponsorships	\$0.00
Bank Interest Received	\$695.66
Other (Singlets)	\$250.00
Total Income (A)	\$9,071.31
Expenditure	
Trading Costs (BBQ & Drinks)	\$100.00
Water, Gas, Electricity, Insurance	\$0.00
Salaries and wages	\$0.00
Office Expenses (Stationary, Postage, Trophies, Engraving)	\$305.00
Fundraising Costs	\$237.27
Bank Fees & Charges	\$91.75
Other (AV Fees Paid)	\$2,890.00
Other (AV Race Fees)	\$370.00
Other (AC Club Affiliation)	\$400.00
Other (APSOC Fees)	\$595.00
Other (Coaching)	\$0.00
Other (Official Fees)	\$500.00
Other (AGM Costs)	\$0.00
Other (Consumer Affairs)	\$79.50
Other (Athlete & Coach Support - National Champs)	\$4,051.70
Other (Singlets)	\$810.00
Other (New Freezer)	\$259.00
Total Expenditure (B)	\$10,689.22
Surplus (A-B)	-\$1,617.91
Assets	
Cash in hand or in bank	\$2,561.22
Value of stock on hand (Estimated Value)	\$6,000.00
Amount owed to association (St Kevin's College)	\$1,830.00
Property, equipment, furnishings	\$259.00
Investments	\$14,566.99
Other (specify)	\$0.00
Total Assets (C)	\$25,217.21
Liabilities	
Secured loans	\$0.00
Unsecured loans	\$0.00
Other (Money Owed to Pat Noonan)	\$850.00
Total Liabilities	\$850.00
Association's equity (C-D)	\$24,367.21

