



BURNIE ATHLETIC CLUB INC

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Dear Burnie Athletic Club Member,

Newsletter to Members

This letter is provided to update members on matters progressing within the Club.

130th celebrations

As you would all know the BAC is celebrating the 130th anniversary this year. A 130th committee has been put in place to concentrate on delivering some exceptional events to celebrate the occasion. The following arrangements have been put in place:-

- **The Burnie Regional Art Gallery** has been booked between October 29th & December 11th.
 - This is a significant event for the club and will provide a great opportunity to showcase the history and memorabilia of the club and its meaning to the community. The gallery exhibition space is mostly booked at least a year in advance and the dates offered by the gallery staff presents the most suitable available.
 - Memorabilia to be displayed will include Pedestrian, Cycling and Wood Chopping items as wide and varied as can be collected.
 - The gallery staff has been very engaging and helpful and will be responsible for arranging and displaying the memorabilia to best affect.
 - We are seeking your support in sourcing memorabilia connected to our carnival. If you know of any individuals who would want to have their memorabilia displayed we would be only too happy to follow up and make contact. A formal loan document is being prepared to ensure accurate records of ownership are kept where memorabilia is being lent to the club.

- The following persons have taken responsibility for collecting memorabilia.
 - John McGuire Pedestrian
 - Dale Atkinson Cycling
 - Denzil Munday Wood Chopping
 - Dale Atkinson is coordinating the memorabilia collection on behalf of the Burnie Athletic Club. Dale's contact details are as follows; Mobile 0417582266 dandsatkinson@bigpond.com

- **The 130th Celebration Cocktail Party**

- A 130th anniversary cocktail party will be held at the Burnie Regional Art Gallery on Friday 2nd December within the gallery space and should be a wonderful occasion to celebrate the clubs proud history and longevity.
- The evening will also act as a sponsor's appreciation evening and the 2017 NYD carnival launch.
- Carnival identities will be invited along to share stories from yesteryear throughout the evening and generally reminisce.
- The plan will be to make the event an open invitation to the public however you will receive an invitation so please keep the date free as your attendance will be valued.

- **Burnie NYD Carnival**

- The committee is busy planning for the delivery of another successful carnival in 2017. We are continuing to look at ways to lift the profile of the carnival and to engage the community more. We are pleased to say the sponsorship is progressing well with a reasonable portion of the sponsorship money already secured. As always the challenge of raising sufficient sponsorship to cover the costs of running the carnival is immense therefore if any members can assist with an introduction that would be most appreciated.

- **Nu Gen and the NYE athletics clinic**

- In 2015 the BAC committee worked hard to engage junior athletes in the carnival. In this regard the Club held an athletics clinic at West Park on New Year's Eve for the first time where it was well attended by both junior athletics and Olympic athletes who acted as coaches on the day.

- The Club also lifted the profile of the “Nu-Gen” program where a healthy number of junior athletes entered on the day. The BAC has a motion on the table at the Tasmanian Athletic League AGM to expand the Nu-Gen program to a series throughout the other SCAT carnivals which we believe will not only grow athletics in the State but also go a long way in ensuring the carnivals remain sustainable.

- **Member recruitment**
 - As always we are always looking to recruit new members into our Club. Therefore if you know of anyone interested please put them in touch or request a nomination from the Secretary.

- **BAC meeting dates**
 - The following meeting dates for the remainder of the season are confirmed:-
 - 22nd June 2016 Committee Meeting
 - 27th July 2016 Annual General Meeting
 - 24th August 2016 Committee Meeting
 - 21st September 2016 General Meeting
 - 19th October 2016 Committee Meeting
 - 16th November 2016 General Meeting
 - 7th December 2016 Committee Meeting
 - 14th December 2016 General Meeting
 - 11th January 2016 General Meeting

We trust you find this update informative.

Please contact any member of the BAC Committee should you need further clarification on any items discussed.

Regards,

Ricky Aitken

PRESIDENT