



St. George District Athletic Club Inc.
ATHLETE INCENTIVE SCHEME 2023/2024

Effective 1st October 2023

Rewarding St. George athletes for involvement and achievement

A. INTRODUCTION

- This Scheme details the process and criteria by which St. George District Athletic Club (SGDAC) will determine how club funds will be distributed to SGDAC members for the following:
 - Payment of event entry fees (section B)
 - Expenses incurred as a result of competing in National level events (Section C)
 - Expenses incurred as a result of competing in International level events (Section D)
- This scheme can be amended at any time by SGDAC if SGDAC is of the opinion that such an amendment is necessary to give effect to the scheme following discovery of a drafting error or oversight, or for any other reason determined to be in the best interests of SGDAC by SGDAC. SGDAC shall not be responsible or liable in any way to any one as a result of any such amendment.
- This scheme may be amended from year to year, depending on the availability of club funds
- It is the athlete's responsibility to read and understand this scheme.
- In the first instance, for further clarification relating to this scheme, queries should be directed to distance_secretary@sgdac.org (winter athletes) or track_secretary@sgdac.org (summer athletes).

B. ENTRY FEE SUBSIDIES

1. Entry fees will be subsidised in **FULL** for all SGDAC teams that compete in the following events:
 - NSW Track & Field Relay Championships
 - NSW Cross Country Relay Championships
 - NSW Road Relay Championships
2. In other ANSW Championships with a team component (applicable to Winter Season only), entry fees will be reimbursed for any athlete who competes in a second event for the purpose of making up numbers required to field a team. To clarify, the reimbursement will be for the entry fee of the second event only.

C. REPRESENTATION AT NATIONAL EVENTS

1. Eligibility

To be eligible to receive financial assistance to represent NSW at an Australian Championship (approved events listed in the table in section 2), an athlete must:

- Be a current and full financial member of SGDAC (this does not include community members)
- Be in good standing with SGDAC, Athletics NSW (ANSW) and Athletics Australia (AA)
- Fill out an application form available on the SGDAC website:
<http://www.sgdac.org/Membership/> (“Financial Assistance Form”) and email to treasurer@sgdac.org
- For 12-18 year olds, show proof of completion of the [“Local Sporting Champions” Government grant](#) if eligible
 - This is done by emailing both the notification of unsuccessful application as soon as received AND the “Financial Assistance Form” (from <http://www.sgdac.org/Membership/>) to treasurer@sgdac.org as soon as received and no later than the end of the month of the “applicant notified/paid” date in the table below.

Note 1: *Financial assistance from the club will only be available to those who are either ineligible for this government grant OR eligible athletes who have applied for the government grant and are unsuccessful.*

Note 2: *Please review the table in section 2 for approved events, application and due dates*

Note 3: *Athletes can only receive financial assistance from SGDAC to represent NSW at an Australian Championship ONCE in a membership year (1 October - 30 September)*

2. Local Sporting Champions Government Grant- Key Dates

- Please review the table below for application and due dates.
- More Info & Applications HERE: [Local Sporting Champions | Australian Sports Commission \(sportaus.gov.au\)](#)

Round	Eligible Competition Dates	Approved Australian Championships	Due Date- Proof of Grant Application to treasurer@sgdac.org
Round 3, 2023/24 (Applications open November 2023- January 2024)	Eligible competitions held between 1 October 2023 and 30 May 2024	2023 Australian All Schools Track & Field Championships (Athletics Australia)	31st March 2024
Round 4, 2023/24 (Applications open February-April 2024)	Eligible competitions held between 1 January 2024 and 31 August 2024	2024 Australian Track & Field Championships- Junior, OPEN and PARA (Athletics Australia)	30th June 2024
TBC	TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2024 Australian Cross Country Championships ● 2024 Australian Road Walks Championships ● 2024 Australian Half Marathon Championships ● 2024 Australian Marathon Championships 	TBC

3. Financial Contribution for successful applicants

The financial contribution made by SGDAC will depend on:

- a) The location of the event (see maximum amounts in the table below)
- b) availability of funds
- c) Athletes' involvement in club activities

LOCATION OF NATIONAL EVENT	FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED
NSW, ACT	Nil
QLD, VIC	Up to \$250
Far North QLD, SA, WA, NT, TAS	Up to \$350

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS (e.g. World Juniors, etc.)- Variable amount (depending on level of competition, location of event, athlete's involvement with club/ANSW events and other assistance received)

NOTE: Athletes must complete the application form available on the SGDAC website: [Registration – St George District Athletic Club \(sgdac.org\)](http://sgdac.org) and email this to treasurer@sgdac.org (Note: The form is located at the bottom of the page).

D. REPRESENTATION AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

- Financial assistance will be provided to SGDAC members (to assist with covering competition-related expenses) who are **selected** to represent Australia at an approved International event, conducted by World Athletics or a similar international body.
- Claims for financial assistance at international events will be considered on a case-by-case basis and will take into account the following factors:
 - a) The type and level of competition
 - b) The location of the competition
 - c) Other financial assistance received to fund competition-related expenses
 - d) The athletes' involvement in SGDAC club events/activities and Athletics NSW events

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E. OVERRIDING DISCRETION OF SGDAC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Notwithstanding anything set out in this Scheme document, the SGDAC Executive Committee have an overriding discretion to distribute or withhold financial assistance to an athlete, if they believe it is in the best interests of SGDAC to do so.