

## New for 2017/2018

### UNIFORMS

We are excited to introduce the new look Macquarie Hunter athletics uniform. After being disappointed with the quality and fit of our old uniforms, a new provider was sourced. The committee, after much discussion, thought it would be an ideal time to modernise our uniform, while still trying to retain the traditional Macquarie Hunter colours (Maroon, white, black and teal). The pictures below give an idea of the uniform (they look great in print) with the maroon fading into black and the traditional teal and white incorporated into the stripes.



We have two days where you are invited to come and try them before the season start. We will place a club order, there will be no charge for postage, and have them ready for the first club night on 15<sup>th</sup> September.

We have several items from the old club uniform which will be on sale at 50% discount. These uniforms are still recognised by LANSW for the next 12 months as a transition period and they will be ideal to wear on club nights.

**New look home page: <http://www.machunter.com.au/>**

Please request a family log in for the upcoming season. Click on the family log in button on the home page. To get a preview click on the help button, there are lots of great features to build individual profiles for the kids once they start the season. There are also the archived results from last season. To get a password, click on the forgotten password button and one will be sent to your registered email address



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**Remember the early bird fees.....[Register here](#) before the end of August for a discounted rate**

**FEES** – Tiny Tot Registration Fees for the 2017-2018 Season are \$120

The following early bird fees are for all athletes from Under 6 to Under 17 years from 1-31 August 2017.

Athletes in the family	Fee
1	\$ 160.00
2	\$ 315.00
3	\$ 465.00
4	\$ 610.00

From 1 September 2017, registration fees for all athletes from Under 6 to U 17 year are \$170.00, and no family discount will apply.

### Wednesday training nights

As part of your registration fee you are provided with a training card. This gives members of our club free access to the track on Wednesday evenings for our club training.

This will be run this year by Gerrard Keating and Vincent Lannuzel.

Ages U7 and upward will be eligible for some formal coaching. The younger ages U6 and tots are welcome to come and use the facilities under parental supervision; however no formal training will be offered.

### We need you!!!

**We are always looking for parents to join the committee. There are several positions on offer from a general member to a more involved role.**

**After several years of giving to the club, our rank and recording officer is stepping down, we need someone to come and learn this role.**

**We are also looking for an IT officer any assistance would be much appreciated to take over this role.**

**Please contact the committee for more information.**



## Parent help on club nights.

As you are all aware, Little Athletics can only run with the help of parent volunteers. We are very lucky at Macquarie Hunter to have an extremely dedicated group of parents and often extended family members who arrive at Glendale early every Friday night to ensure the venue is set up and ready for our kids to compete. They then stay behind after everyone has gone to pack all the equipment away. Every week the same core group are there, with other parents helping as and when they can. This requires six months of dedicating their free time to ensure all of our children can enjoy athletics. In our busy lives, often with one or more children involved in more than one sport, this is no mean feat.

With this in mind, we have decided to introduce a parent help roster. This requires each age group to set up or pack away throughout the season. We have looked at the age groups and the numbers in each and have tried to make it fair. We are asking the younger ages to help with the set up, so the kids are not at the centre too late and the older groups have been mixed, as some only have a couple of registered athletes. A minimum of 5 helpers are required for each set up and pack away session. There will be a sign in sheet on the table for each session. Members of the committee will still be present to help and provide guidance on what is required.

15-Sep	set up	U9G	10-Nov	set up	TotsG	26-Jan	set up	U7G
	pack up	U10G		pack up	U15/17G&B		pack up	U12G
22-Sep	set up	U7G	17-Nov	set up	TotsB	2-Feb	set up	U7B
	pack up	U12G		pack up	U14G&B		pack up	U12B
29-Sep	set up	U9B	24-Nov	set up	U9G	9-Feb	set up	U6G
	pack up	U10B		pack up	U10G		pack up	U13G
6-Oct	set up	U7B	1-Dec	set up	U9B	16-Feb	set up	U6B
	pack up	U12B		pack up	U10B		pack up	U13B
13-Oct	set up	U8G	8-Dec	set up	?Xmas party	23-Feb	set up	Regionals
	pack up	U11G		pack up	No club night		pack up	No club night
20-Oct	set up	U8B	15-Dec	set up	Zone	2-Mar	set up	TotsG
	pack up	U11B		pack up	No club night		pack up	U15/17G&B
27-Oct	set up	U6G	12-Jan	set up	U8G	9-Mar	set up	TotsB
	pack up	U13G		pack up	U11G		pack up	U14G&B
3-Nov	set up	U6B	19-Jan	set up	U8B	16-Mar	set up	Volunteers
	pack up	U13B		pack up	U11B		pack up	last season night
						23-Mar		State champs



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### Some useful external links:

Little Athletics NSW website Event Fact Sheets (for parents/volunteers)

<http://www.lansw.com.au/Education-Training/Centre-Helpers/Event-Fact-Sheets>

Basic Technique Fact Sheets (for athletes)

<http://www.lansw.com.au/Education-Training/Athletes/Basic-Technique>

### Dates to remember

Date	Event	time	Venue
27-Aug-17	Uniform fitting and ordering	10-12am	Hunter sports centre
10-Sep-17	Registration day/BBQ/2 <sup>nd</sup> uniform	12-3pm	Hunter sports centre
15-Sep-17	First club night	5.30-8.00pm	Hunter sports centre
20-Sep-17	First training night	5.30-7.00pm	Hunter sports centre
3-Dec-17	Norm Johnson/Carangal shield	TBC	Hunter sports centre
16-17-Dec-17	Zone carnival	TBC	Hunter sports centre
23-25-Feb-18	Regional carnival	TBC	Mingara regional athletics centre
23-25-Mar-18	LANSW State Finals	TBC	Sydney Olympic Park Athletics centre

**Looking forward to seeing you all for our 2017-2018 season**