

Racewalker 9th July, 2022

Welcome back to Chipping Norton. When preparing this Racewalker our Committee has no idea of the condition of the track but we hope we can all enjoy a successful afternoon of walking this Saturday 9th July whilst conducting our competition for the Race Walking Australia Postal Challenge.

The Race Walking Australia Postal Challenge is when all the 10 clubs from around Australia all compete at the same distances in each age group, all results are forwarded to RWA and points are allocated to the club with the fastest walkers.

As you are all aware last Saturday 2nd July (Sutherland Open) was postponed because of the flooding of the Oatley track plus the continuous rain. A new date for the Sutherland Open has yet to be determined.

Next Saturday 16th July there is no club competition because Athletics NSW are conducting their State championships for team walks at the Ourimbah campus of the University of Newcastle. Entries close online on Wednesday 13th July at 9am sharp. <https://www.nswathletics.org.au/events/136684/> All questions ring Athletics NSW.

Our next club competition is HERE on **Saturday 23rd July** and is the Parramatta Little Athletics Open Day where Parramatta Club will be presenting awards for fastest male and fastest female in each division plus awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place handicap winners in each division. Winners of a fastest award cannot win a handicap award. To be eligible for handicap and fastest awards on this Open Day, walkers must have competed in their nominated division on 3 prior occasions and be wearing our club uniform.

CONGRATULATIONS to our club member Carl Gibbons who has been selected by Athletics Australia to compete at the World Athletics Championships in Oregon, USA in the 35km Walk. Carl will be walking on Sunday 24th July at 6.15am with his other team member Victorian Rhydian Cowley. All the best Carl.

Also travelling to Oregon for the World Championships is one of our Walk Judges Kirsten Crocker who has been selected as one of the 8 international walk judges to judge at the World Athletics Championships. Congratulations Kirsten.

World Championships walks programme

July 15th 13.10pm 20km women (Jemina Montag Vic and Rebecca Henderson Vic) and 15.10pm 20km men (Kyle Swan Vic, Declan Tingay WA, Rhydian Cowley Vic)

July 22nd 6.15am 35km women (Kelly Ruddick Vic)

July 24th 6.15am 35km women (Carl Gibbons NSW, Rhydian Cowley VIC)