

New Zealand Combined Events Championship
17 - 18 February 2024
Caledonian Track - Dunedin

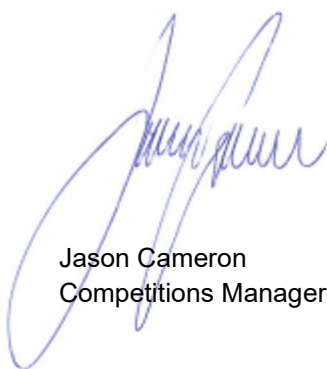
ATHLETE NEWSLETTER

Kia ora/Welcome athletes from around New Zealand and the world,

We are delighted to be staging the Athletics NZ National Combined Events Championships in partnership with Athletics Otago at the Caledonian Track, Dunedin. With the Paris Olympic Games less than six months away and the World Junior Championships in Peru the following month, the opportunity for multi discipline athletes to compete and aspire to compete at the highest level will be exciting.

I also want to welcome all our visiting international athletes from around the Pacific Rim. Your presence adds vibrance and kudos to this important competition and we appreciate the sacrifices you have made to get here from further afield.

Special thanks to our dedicated local organising committee, led by Stephen Palmer and Joan Merilees; Eddie Soria our Technical Delegate and all other officials and volunteers without whom this competition would not be possible. I wish you well for your competition and hope you also get to enjoy some of the renowned southern hospitality.



Jason Cameron
Competitions Manager

1. EVENT LOCATION

Caledonian Track, Dunedin – Walking access from Butts Road. Vehicle access from Logan Park Drive, off Anzac Avenue. Parking is available around the facility but due to children’s competition on Saturday morning it is recommended use of Butts Road



2. PERSONAL IMPLEMENT CHECK-IN & COLLECTION

Personal implements shall be checked in at the rear of the grandstand from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. on Friday 16th. Please contact the Technical Manager, Malcolm Giles, 021 770 912, or Meeting Manager, Stephen Palmer, 027 438 0428, if there is an issue with checking in implements during this period.

Implement collection shall be from the same location at conclusion of each day.

3. PRE-EVENT TRAINING ACCESS & THROWS TRAINING AREA

Access to the Field of Play will be available from 3:00 p.m. Friday 16th. Note that Event set-up will be underway and therefore any training within the Field of Play shall be coordinated with the Officials present.

The designated Throws Training Area is available:

- Friday 16th from 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Saturday 17th 9:00 a.m. to Sunday 18th 4:00 p.m.

All throwing training/warm-ups shall be supervised - refer also to Technical Regulations

4. COMPETITION BIB NUMBERS

Competition bib numbers will be provided to athletes at the Athlete Changing & Call Rooms at check-in on Saturday morning. Refer Technical Regulations for further information.

5. CALL ROOMS & ATHLETE FACILITIES

Athlete facilities (Changing and rest area, toilets, and Call Rooms) are located under the grandstand. Access will be signposted from the middle of the grandstand on the Field of Play side.

6. CALL ROOM TIME & COMPETITION START

All athletes shall assemble at the respective Call Room/Athlete Facilities by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday.

Saturday event commencement:

- Decathlon and M16 Octathlon 100 m: 10:35 a.m.
- Heptathlon 100 m Hurdles: 10:15 a.m.
- W16 Hexathlon High Jump: 10:15 a.m.

Sunday assemble times will be advised by the Combined Events Referees at completion of Saturday competition

Sunday event commencement:

- Decathlon 110m Hurdles: 9:15 a.m.
- Heptathlon Long Jump: 9:30 a.m.
- M16 Octathlon 100 m Hurdles: 9:30 a.m.
- W16 Hexathlon 80 m Hurdles: 12:00 p.m.

7. DIRECTION OF COMPETITION

Direction of competition will be determined by the Meeting Manager / Referee / Technical Delegate at least 60 minutes prior to commencement of each event.

8. YOUR REFEREES

Men's Decathlon Senior, U20, U18, Masters - Adrienne Bruce

Women's Heptathlon Senior, U20, U18 – Lillian Tudor
U16 Men's Octathlon and U16 Woman's Hexathlon – Joan Merrilees
Track – Mark Peters

9. SATURDAY POST-EVENT

Athletes are welcome to join Officials for a social hour at completion of competition on Saturday. This is in the top Function Room, as indicated by your Referee

10. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

A reminder to check Technical Regulations, available from <https://athletics.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/NZ-Combined-Events-Championship-LOC-Updated-23012024.pdf>

11. AWARDS CEREMONIES

These will take place at the conclusion of each section of the competition on Sunday 18 February at the Caledonian Track. National Championship placegetter medals will be awarded to New Zealand registered athletes. International athletes will be awarded National Championship visitor medals. Under 16 competitors (non-championship) will be awarded placegetter medals/certificates.

Approximate ceremony times:

- Women Heptathlon: 3:30 p.m.
- M16 Octathlon and W16 Hexathlon: 3:45 p.m.
- Men's Decathlon: 5:15 p.m.